

The nursing staff of the new Washington County Hospital is currently making with the make-up. One of the nurses overheard one male visitor to open house say to another, "You needn't get up and come to this hospital expecting to see pretty nurses, because there's not a single one here."

Friends of Roy Manning, sr., local automobile dealer and garageman, will be glad to learn that he is reported to be getting along nicely in a Rocky Mount hospital, following an operation Tuesday morning. With continued improvement, Mr. Manning is expected to be home this week-end.

Tuesday, May 30, will find all state and federal offices in Washington County, including the post offices, the Plymouth bank and offices in the courthouse, closed in observance of National Memorial Day. However, the merchants will be doing business as usual, as the holiday is not generally observed in North Carolina.

Rep. Herbert C. Bonner, of the First Congressional District, who publicly stated at the State Democratic convention that he will run for Senator Frank P. Graham, has cited since then as "the one North Carolinian who knows the real significance of the testimony upon which Graham haters are placing their own interpretations." Representative Bonner was for three years a member of the Home Committee on Un-American Activities.

Preparatory to beginning dry cleaning service, the D & N Laundry is building a storage house onto the east side of its present structure. To house inflammable dry-cleaning chemicals, the building is being made of fire-proof cinder blocks and cement.

Funeral Monday For W. T. Craft

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon for W. T. Craft, 82-year-old retired farmer of Roper. Rites were held at Zion's Chapel with the Rev. Richard Gardner, of Roper officiating. Burial was in the family cemetery near Roper.

Mr. Craft died last Saturday morning at 7:30 at the home of a daughter, Mrs. D. B. Chesson, near Roper. He had been ill for about a month, spending the last two weeks in bed.

The deceased was born in Washington County, January 3, 1868, the son of the late John S. Craft and Hester Roberson Craft. Thirty-five years ago he moved with his wife the late Mrs. Susie Craft, to Chowan County, but moved back to Washington County in 1944.

Rufus Hardison Rites Tuesday

Funeral services for Rufus Hardison, 53, of near Plymouth, were held at the Plymouth Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with the Rev. Paul B. Nickens, pastor of the church officiating. Burial was in Waters Cemetery, near Jamesville.

Hardison died suddenly of a heart attack Monday at 7 a. m. near the home of L. L. Bowen. He had lived here for the past 25 years.

The deceased, who leaves no survivors, was a member of the Saint Delight Church.

PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS—1950



Reading from left to right, back row: Billy Winesett, David Read, Philip Tetterton, Rene Basinger, Wilmet Johnson, Ann Rosenthal, Betty Six, Frances Bickel, Lillian Watson, Annabell Jack, Martha Myers, Dennis Davis, Hugh Pierce, Wayne Browning. Front row: Bill Ach, Betty Jean Jackson, Frankie Reid, Shirley Roberson, Becky Ainsley, Gloria Votrol, Lois McCombs, Dolly Ange, Norma Berry, Annie Laura Tetterton, Anita Nooney, Bobby West.

County Schools To Graduate 114

Jamesville Girl Hospital's First

Miss Elizabeth Ann Napier, 10, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Napier, of Jamesville, was the first patient received at the Washington County Hospital, which opened its doors last Friday, May 19.

Elizabeth was admitted at 10:20 last Saturday morning for an appendectomy, and Mrs. David E. Jones, superintendent of nurses, has reported that the inaugural patient is doing nicely. A bouquet of flowers was presented her as an award. Surgery was performed by Dr. Frank Wood, of Edenton, and Dr. T. L. Bray, of Plymouth, is attending physician.

Roper High School Class of 1925 Holds Reunion Tonight

Members of Class, All Living, To Be Feted at Supper; Former Teachers Invited to Attend

In connection with commencement week at the school, the Class of 1925 at Roper High School will celebrate the 25th anniversary of its graduation with the first reunion ever held by the class, according to information received from Barton Swain, of Roper, a member of the class.

The class which was the first to be graduated from the present school building, will be feted at a supper in the high school lunchroom at 6 o'clock Thursday evening. The supper will be served by ladies of the Roper Methodist Church. Following the supper, the group will adjourn to the auditorium and sit in a body during commencement exercises to be held during the evening.

Among honored guests will be F. M. Tucker, superintendent of Ahoskie schools, who was principal at Roper during the first three years of the class of '25 in high school; Bruce Wynne, of Williamston, who was principal at the time the class graduated; Miss A. C. "Gussie" Carstarphen, of Roper who taught for over 50 years; and husbands and wives of members of the class.

The 17 members of the class are all living, Mr. Swain said, and they reside for the most part in North Carolina and Virginia. One—William W. Lewis—lives in

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Local High School Leads With Class of 27; Programs for All Schools Are Scheduled

Diplomas will be awarded this week to 114 seniors in the six county high schools, with exercises scheduled for tomorrow, May 26, at all schools except Roper, which will present its diplomas tonight (Thursday).

Plymouth High School will graduate the most, 27. The Rev. Gray Temple, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd near Rocky Mount, will address the final graduation audience Friday evening, May 26, at 8 o'clock. Class night exercises were held Tuesday evening, with the seniors giving their class play, "Sails at Dawn."

Seventeen seniors at Roper will get diplomas tonight at 8 o'clock. L. E. Hassell, sr. will make the presentations, while the commencement address will be made by Dr. David Rose, of Goldsboro. Class Night was held Tuesday, with the evening's program by the seniors entitled, "Of Footprints of Time."

Creswell High School will award 21 diplomas Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Dr. Edward F. Mosely, rector of Saint Mary's Episcopal Church of Kinston, will deliver the commencement talk, while R. F. Lowry, superintendent of county schools will make the awards. Class Night was observed Wednesday.

A total of 26 students, including ten veterans graduating from night adult classes, will receive diplomas at the Plymouth Colored High School on Friday night. Dean W. P. Jones, of State College in Elizabeth City will deliver the final address. The seniors held their Class Night exercises last Wednesday.

J. J. Clemmons will present diplomas to 13 graduating seniors tomorrow night. M. S. Johnson, executive secretary of the Alumni Association of North Carolina College, Durham, will deliver the address. Finally, Creswell Colored School will award diplomas to 10 seniors.

A complete listing of county graduates, except for the possibility of alteration which might be caused by late final examinations at some schools, is as follows:

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Hail, Rain Delay Work Leading to Mackeys Project

Two Projects in Windsor Area Held Up by Weather, Delaying Removal of Plant to Local Jobs

Hail and rain in the Windsor area have delayed the laying of asphalt on the two Nello L. Teer projects there, with the result that the moving of the plant to Mackeys project has also been delayed, Office manager H. G. Mullican said Wednesday.

Hail which fell in the area recently burst through the tack, an emulsified asphalt layer, Mullican said. This dampened the base, so that construction work will have to be suspended until it dries.

Originally, the Teer Company, operating out of Durham, had only one project in Windsor. Later, however, they assumed a job previously contracted by Dickerson, Inc., thus giving them two projects to be completed before moving their asphalt plant to Mackeys.

Mullican could not say for certain when the plant would be moved, but barring further rains, the Mackeys job should be finished within a month after the plant arrives, he said.

Meeting Monday For State Alumni

Howard Gaylord, secretary-treasurer of the Washington County Alumni Association of State College, has announced that a meeting of the State alumni of this section will be held next Monday night at 8 o'clock at the Plymouth Legion Hall. The meeting is one of 35 similar meetings currently being sponsored by the Wolfpack Club, State athletic organization. Coaches Fitzgibbons and Gill, of the State athletic staff, are scheduled to be present and are to show basketball and football films. Every person in this section who has attended State College is urged to be present, Gaylord said.

Local Garden Club Has Flower Show

A flower show, with entries totaling over one hundred arrangements of flowers, was presented by the Plymouth Garden Club Wednesday in the Social Hall of the Plymouth Christian Church. Blue and red ribbons were given for the best in all classes and a sweepstake prize was given for the most ribbons won.

Five dining tables were set with arrangements of flowers; one formal dinner; one luncheon; one breakfast; one afternoon bridge; and one accessory table. Winner of the sweepstake prize was Mrs. K. S. Trowbridge, who had the highest number of ribbons on all entries. Gold ribbons were presented the following in various classes: roses, Mrs. C. L. Blount; most artistic table, Mrs. Raymond Duvall; best iris, Mrs. Paul Brinkley; best sweet peas, Mrs. E. J. Broughton; best dish garden, Mrs. Claudius Smith; best potted plant (white violets), Mrs. C. J. Norman; best mixed arrangement (roses and snapdragons), Mrs. J. B. Edmondson; best rose specimen, Mrs. K. S. Trowbridge.

Four County, Three State Contests Face Voters in Primary Saturday

County To Stage Lamb Sale Here Thursday, June 1

Prices Said To Be Good at This Time and Prospects Bright for Successful Co-operative Sale

Washington County's first lamb sale of the year will be held next Thursday, June 1, at the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Stock Yard, County Agent W. V. Hays has announced.

Grading will begin at 7:30 in the morning, and is expected to be finished by noon, Hays said. The North Carolina Division of Markets will have graders here to class, grade and market lambs shipped, and the lambs will be weighed and paid for at the yard according to the market price received that day.

The sale is a cooperative one, and growers in adjoining counties are invited by the County Agent to participate in the sale. A nominal charge will be made per head for handling, telephone calls and to help with other expenses.

Hays urges shippers from distant points to bring their animals here early, as in the past there has been considerable confusion due to the late arrival of participants. Prices, Hays said, are unusually good, according to daily market reports.

Well-finished lambs, though as light as 60 pounds, probably should be marketed, but each grower should use his own judgment in the matter, the County Agent said. Hays said that there is a good demand for good breeding ewes and rams, and that his office will be glad to arrange the exchange of rams, provided sufficient notice is given so that interested sheep men may be contacted.

Although the lambs will be paid for here in Plymouth, time usually does not permit the writing of checks and final settlement on the day of the sale. Therefore, Hays said, checks will be mailed shippers from his office here in Plymouth following the sale.

Heavy Damage in Accident Sunday

An estimated \$840 damage was sustained by two cars involved in an accident on the Roper highway Sunday night, Patrolman R. W. Young, of Plymouth, investigating officer, reported. No one was injured, however.

The more heavily damaged car was a 1949 model Oldsmobile driven by Arthur Bradford Papineau, son of Dr. and Mrs. Albin Papineau, of Plymouth. Patrolman Young estimated the damage to the car at \$800. The other Ford driven by James Edward Knight, Negro, of Route 1, Plymouth.

According to Young, both drivers are said to have been traveling toward Plymouth, Papineau's car immediately behind that of Knight. The latter attempted to make a left turn off the highway into the drive way of the Honey-dripper club, Papineau's car sideswiped the vehicle driven by Knight and ran off the highway to his left and overturned. No charges have been preferred.

District Meeting of Legion To Be Held Here Friday

A meeting of the Third District of North Carolina Division 1 of the American Legion will be held here at the Legion Hall Friday night, May 26, at 7:30.

District Commander H. L. Swain, of Williamston, will preside over the gathering, and a Dutch barbecue will be served according to Dallas Waters, commander of James E. Jethro Post No. 164.

Lake Phelps Legion To Sponsor Barbecue, Dance

A barbecue supper will be served in the Cherry school building, Friday, June 2, at 8 o'clock sponsored by the Lake Phelps post No. 391 of the American Legion, H. S. Woodley, adjutant of the post has announced. Immediately following the supper there will be a square dance which will be free to those buying a plate.

Study Bids on School Projects Next Monday

Bids on three school projects at Plymouth, Roper and Creswell recently approved by the Washington County Board of Education, will be accepted next Monday, May 29, instead of Wednesday, May 24, as previously stated, Superintendent R. F. Lowry has announced.

Wilmington architect Leslie N. Boney forwarded a request for the extension Monday, and the Board will now pass on bids and alternate bids at the office of the board at 2 p. m. on May 29.

Series Safety Dinners For Workers at Plant

First in Series of Six Held Friday Night for Workers of North Carolina Pulp Company

A series of six safety dinners for employees of the N. C. Pulp Company here began with a barbecue dinner at the company's pit near the plant last Friday, the company's safety engineer, W. B. Gaylord, has announced. The dinners are given by the company to winners of its safety contests which are continually in progress at the mill.

The shifts of four foremen Hugh Roberson, of the pulp mill, and Bill McCombs, of the paper mill, were feted Friday. The complete schedule for the remaining five dinners, to be given on consecutive Fridays, is as follows:

May 26—Pulp mill workers, Bonney Lilley, tour foreman; paper mill workers, Forest McCombs, tour foreman.

June 2—Pulp mill workers, Jennings Ward, tour foreman; paper mill workers, Omega Rogers, tour foreman.

June 9—Pulp mill workers, Audria Jackson, tour foreman; paper mill workers, Sam Nash, tour foreman.

June 16—Day workers under H. C. Carter, Adrian Cobb and C. E. Jones, jr.

June 23—Colored shifts under Tom Sawyer, Luther Linton and Tom Ward; 3 crew leaders; and men working under Bob Armstrong, Jake Gussler and W. E. Manning.

Plymouth P.T.A. Ends Year's Work

Final 1950 committee reports of the Plymouth Parent Teacher Association were given last Wednesday at the concluding meeting of the group, and new secretary Mrs. W. Blount Rodman was welcomed into the association.

Creswell May Day Set for Tomorrow

Contestants for May Queen and King and Crown Bearers for Creswell High School's May Day celebration Friday, May 26, have been announced by school officials.

The following Queens and Kings have been selected to represent the following grades, with the winners being the two contestants selling the highest number of votes: Twelfth Grade, Joyce Snell and Ronnie Pritchett; Eleventh Grade, Ruth Holton and A. W. Alexander; Tenth Grade, Donnie Twiddy and Harold Ambrose.

Plans call for the construction and completion of the following: Washington County Union School for Negroes at Roper, Physical Education and Lunch Room building at Creswell and an Auditorium and class room addition at Plymouth.

Will Hold Town Tax Sale July 10

P. W. Brown, chief of police and tax collector for the town of Plymouth, said yesterday that he was going ahead with plans to advertise property on which 1949 town taxes had not been paid. Property owners have only a few more days in which to pay up before the list will be prepared for publication, he pointed out.

Mr. Brown said the sale would be held on Monday, July 10, in front of the courthouse door. He asks all those who have not paid their 1949 taxes to do so at once and avoid the added interest and costs incident to advertising.

Several officers without appointments will not have their names on the ballot, but will be certified as Democratic nominees by the board of elections. They are Sheriff J. K. Reid, Lees Mill Constable W. A. Everett, Coroner Jack L. Horner, Recorder's Court Solicitor W. Blount Rodman, Skinnerville Commissioner H. L. Davenport and Scuppernon Commissioner Harry Pritchett.

Legion Auxiliary Announces Plans For Poppy Sale

Will Be Held Here Saturday; Proceeds Will Be Used for Welfare Work of Auxiliary

Everyone in Plymouth will be given an opportunity to wear a memorial poppy in honor of the war dead on Poppy Day, Saturday, May 27, according to plans released by the James E. Jethro Post No. 164 of the American Legion Auxiliary.

The observance will be directed by Mrs. W. H. Thomas, with the assistance of the Girl Scouts and a few others of the Auxiliary, all voluntary. The entire proceeds will go to help support American Legion and Auxiliary welfare work for disabled veterans and needy children of veterans.

The poppies were bought from Veterans Hospitals where they were made by disabled veterans. Of crepe paper, they are replicas of the wild poppies that bloomed in war cemeteries in France and Belgium, and which have become the memorial flower of the English speaking world.

The making of the poppies provides employment for thousands of hospitalized veterans, and the Auxiliary urges the cooperation of everyone in making this Poppy Day sale one of the biggest and best yet.

125 Attend Field Day At Tidewater Farm

About 125 people turned out for a successful field day held last Friday at the Tidewater Test Farm near Plymouth, J. L. Rea, who presided at the meeting, announced.

The group was composed mainly of county agents, vocational teachers and farmers. The farm is operated by the North Carolina Department of Agricultural Experiment Station with the cooperation of the United States Department of Agriculture.

The meeting began at 10 o'clock Friday morning and extended into the afternoon. The morning session was devoted to Irish potato production. L. W.

Washington County Democratic voters will go to the polls Saturday to mark their choices of candidates for four county and three state offices to be filled in the November elections.

The most heated county battle seems to be shaping up for clerk of superior court, with five men vying for the office now held by W. M. Darden, who is not seeking reelection. They are W. T. Stillman, Clarence L. Blount, Walton O. Allen, W. Linwood Hassell and W. H. (Jack) Peele.

The incumbent representative to the state legislature, E. O. Arnold, will be opposed by W. J. Woolard and James H. Ward. Voters will pick two of four candidates for state senator from the Second Senatorial District. Those running are Sam M. Campen, incumbent, of Alliance; Hugh G. Horton, of Williamston; O. L. Williams, of Swan Quarter; and Dallas Mallison, of Oriental. Washington County has no candidate.

One of the senatorial seats seems certain to go to Horton, of Martin County, Martin and Beaufort, the two largest counties in the district, usually place one man in the State Senate, and has Beaufort has no candidate, the Martin entry, Horton, is almost certain to win one of the seats.

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Plymouth will seat two county commissioners, with both incumbents, E. R. Latham and Frank L. Brinkley, uncontested except that the general election in November will decide which will serve for four years, which for two. Lees Mill's single, four-year seat will go to either J. C. Knowles, the incumbent, or A. R. Phelps.

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Lions Work Out Nomination Slate

Officers and directors of the Plymouth Lions Club for the year 1950-51 were nominated at the club's weekly meeting in the Legion Hall last Thursday night. Following the nominations, club members adjourned to the new Washington County Hospital and were conducted on a tour of the building which opened the next day.

Next Thursday, June 1, an election meeting will be held in the Legion Hall at 7 p. m. for the purpose of electing the officers nominated. Each member is requested to be present and vote his choices. Those elected will take office July 1.

The following nominations will be voted on at the election meeting: president, E. M. Leavitt; first vice president, J. R. Manning, sr.; second vice-president, I. M. Warren; third vice president, H. C. Carter; Lion Tamer, Z. V. Norman; Tail Twister, H. O. Lovic; secretary-treasurer, F. M. Bowers; immediate past president, J. W. Morrow; one-year directors, W. R. Collins and J. W. House; and two-year directors, H. M. Ange and G. T. Barden.

Interest Mounts as Primary Nears

As is almost invariably the case, interest in politics in the county was practically nil until a few weeks ago when candidate after candidate began to announce for some local office. As the list of candidates steadily grew, interest mounted until at present—just before the primary—there appears, on the surface, to be quite a bit of interest in the outcome of the U. S. Senatorial race, particularly between supporters of the two candidates generally regarded as having the best chance of winning the four-cornered fight. There are many staunch supporters of both Senator Graham and Willis Smith numbered among the voters

Although it is not so easily detected, there is, nevertheless, quite some interest in several local contests, among them being the 5-way battle for the clerk of superior court job being vacated by W. M. Darden, the 3 cornered fight for Washington County's seat in the House of Representatives and—in the Lees Mill district—the contest between incumbent J. C. Knowles and A. R. Phelps for the place on the county board of commissioners.

When the voters go to the polls on Saturday, they will be given two Democratic ballots—one state ballot which includes candidates for the U. S. Senate, and a county

ballot, including names of candidates for State Senator from the 2nd Senatorial district. The ballots will contain names of candidates with the office sought and a place to indicate the voter's choice for each nominee. If the ballot is wrongly marked, torn or otherwise defaced, the voter is to return the ballot to poll holder and will be given a new one.

Polling places for Washington County's five precincts are Plymouth No. 1, courthouse; Plymouth No. 2, high school building; Lees Mill, Roper community building; Skinnerville, A. R. Patrick's store; Scuppernon, J. A. Combs' office in Creswell; Wena, H. J. Furbee's residence.