a witness in numerous cases during the past two weeks at the

January term of Washington

County Superior Court here, State Highway Patrolman Carl Gil-

christ, of Plymouth, is might

thankful the highway wreck

have been scarce. There's just a bare chance, too, that the speedsters are thankful that Carl has

Gilbert Vaughan, who does a

little basketball officiating in ad-

dition to his big-game hunting when he can get away from the

Beacon Linotype, received a pair

between the Creswell and Roper

boys, decided in the last 5 seconds

mid-court on a desperation toss

the glasses, along with a note ex-

plaining that he admired the

referee's "integrity." It would in-

dicate the Creswell youth be-

lieves Gilbert calls 'em as he sees

he ought to see 'em better. Well,

it's about the season of the year

when some players-and coaches

-seem to forget that for every

Jack Booker, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Booker, left this morning for Lackland Air Force

Base, San Antonio, Texas, where

he is to enter the Air Force for

a two-year tour of duty. He is

the second young Plymouth re-serve officer to be called to active duty with the Air Force in the

past two months. Clarence O. Kelly, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs.

Clarence Kelly reported about

the middle of November and is

at Francis E. Warren Air Force

now at an Air Force supply school Base, Cheyenne, Wyo. Both young

men graduated at the University

of North Carolina last June and

received commissions as second

lieutenants in the Air Force Re-

Plymouth's volunteer firemen

are in solid agreement that Wed-

nesday morning was really a cold

one for stirring early. And stir

early they did. The alarm was at

7 o'clock for a burned out chim-

ney in a colored residence on Chestnut Street. There was no

The picture of Roy Swain, local

picture taking when a Look

photographer posed him at a table

in a local restaurant. Ever since

then, Gilmer and Roy have been

the photographer was only kid-

ding and that his picture would

suddenly there it was.

damage.

winner there must be a loser.

been so busy.

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#### NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED AT PERSEVERANCE LODGE HERE LAST TUESDAY



New officers of Perseverance Lodge, No. 5), A.F. & 9.M., are pictured above following their installation here Tuesday night of last week. Taey were installed by H. B. Carawan, of Washington, district deputy grand master, assisted by J. O. Jordan, also of Washington, as marshall. Left to right in the front row above are Mr. Carawan, installing officer; Hilton Dunbar, senior warden; Harry L. Garrett, master; W. C. Chesson, junior warden; and Mr. Jordan, marshall. Left to right back of the front row are: J. M. Gilreath, senior deacon; G. R. Leggett, jr., junior deacon; W. C. Hall, tiler; B. G. Campbell, treasurer; R. H. Lucas, chaplain; Bill Styons and Marvin Ange, stewards. W. A. Roebuck, secretary of the lodge, was not present when the picture was made.—Polarioid 1. Minute staff photo.

#### Report of Grand Court Clears Docket And Quits Tuesday

## Good Attendance At Farm Classes

Attendance has steadily increased at the series of special farm meetings or classes being held at the Agriculture Building here this week. Classes are being held in the auditorium with specialists in various fields of agriculture from the State College Extension Service on hand to bring the latest recommendations in many phases of

barber, graces (?) a page in the current issue of Look magazine. The classes began Tuesday and are continuing through Roy and Gilmer Ayers were at Myrtle Beach last summer and Thursday, with morning and afternoon sessions being held. Roy happened to get in on the The program for Thursday in cludes consideration of poultry, turkeys, beef cattle, sheep and swine. Discussions are enlivened and illustrated with colored scanning each successive issue of Look for the picture. Finally, Gilmer began to tell Roy that slides, County Agent W. H. Pruden has termed the series of meetings "the most important held here in a long time.

#### not appear in the magazine. Then Republicans Set Dr. Wolverton To

on "Communism and Christiani- open for the convention.

Episcopal Church, Plymouth Mon-convention in each geeral elect-outh. The motion was denied and be painted and windows repaired. day evening, January 18th, at 8 ion year to be held in each pre- excepted by the court. o'clock. The public is cordially in- cinct and suggests the same date for all precinct conventions

Dr. Wolverton attended Duke University 1929-31. He received consists of five members to be the University of Chicago. He was lican voters of the precinct, with as follows: assistant professor in the school one member to be designated as of Religion at the University of chairman. Delegates to the coun- pros; Oklahoma 1933-34. He was chap- ty convention will also be elected

to 1952. He is the author of two secured from the leaders of the leave; books on the 8th century pro-phets:

Republican party, E. A. Harrison, Judgment absolute for State to county chairman, precinct No. 1, recover \$200 from Walter Nor-There will be an informal in- T. D. Somerville, precinct no. 2, man, principal, and John T. Hall termission at Monday evening's Barton Swain, Lees Mill, Stark and Guy Brown, sureties. (Norprogram at which time the public Holton, Skinnersville, W.

# 1,278 License Plates **Issued Here to Date**

of the Carolina Motor Club are trailers, and 22 for Class C, or at Plymouth. about on a par with the pace gencommercial trailers. erally maintained during past seasons here, it was reported this

With the deadline drawing rapidly nearer, it appears that some- tion. Patrolmen will begin citing ceding the closing date for receipt what more than one third of the delinquents to the courts who are of applications. Age limits, waivnumber of plates usually issued at the local office have been sold. without the new plates, begin- preference, are from 18 to 50.

Total sales through business of ning February 1. Tuesday were reported as 1,278 by James H. Ward, office manager of the branch which is locat- m. to 4 p. m., the early closing from the Commission's Washinged on Washington Street near the being necessitated by daily re- ton office. Applications must be Mayflower Restaurant.

Tuesday, 907 were for passenger day.

Lizzie Patrick Convicted of Manslaughter and Sentenced To 10-Year Prison

The jury returned a verdict of guilty of manslaughter in the Lizthe Patrick case at 5 p. m. Tues- ted to Judge Chester Morris last Seventh Infantry Division. day, Judge Chester Morris sen- week, recommended minor retenced the defendant to a 10-year pairs to several county buildings 18, enlisted in the Army on Sepprison term and shortly there- and to school busses, declared reafter, court expired by limitation. ports of the justices of the peace Defendant, through counsel, made in satisfactory manner and

with the pistol slaying and that interviews with prisonof her husband, Johnny Patrick, ers showed that wholesome for at the home of the Negro couple was being served in sufficient Bids Soon To Be Received in Skinnersville last March, open-quantity to meet the needs. ed Monday morning.

No unusual difficulty was experienced in selecting a jury and ever repairs were recommended vidence in the case was offered for the wall in the southwest corthroughout the day and a good ner because of water seepage, part of Tuesday. Arguments of painting the register of deeds of ounsel and the judge's charge to fice was recommended and new he jury were completed late in curtains for courtroom windows.

non-suit was made by Defense classrooms. It was also recom-fections of Plymen mended that classrooms and halls at the parish house of Grace Plan of organization calls for a Counsel W. L. Whitley, of Plym-

conct and suggests the same date for all precinct conventions

The precinct committee is to consists of five members to be

The case perhaps attracted grace to the other part of the buildings."

Other court members to be Other court proceedings, not rehis Masters' Ph.D. degrees from elected by the registered Repubported last week, are summed up is in poor condition, window panes

John Davenport, larceny, nol

T. man was called at the July term may meet and talk with the Phelps, Scuppernong, and Mar- of court and failed to answer and Judgment Nisi was entered against him and Judgment Sci.

See COURT, Page 10

#### **Examination Announced** For Rural Carrier Here

The United States Civil Service Sales of state motor vehicles cars, two for motorcycles, 219 for license plates at the local branch private trucks, 40 for farm trucks, examination to fill the position

Applicants for this examination Motor vehicles, to be legally must actually operated on and after February in the delivery of the above-menmust display the new plates or tioned post office and must have they will be subject to prosecu- so resided for one year next precaught operating motor vehicles ed for persons entitled to veteran

Full information and applica Office hours at the branch tion forms may be obtained at the license office here are from 9 a. above-mentioned post office or ports of sales which must be tabu- filed with the U. S. Civil Service Of the licenses issued through lated and mailed by 6 p. m. each Commission, Washington 25, D. C. not later than February 11, 1954.

# On Korean List 'Presumed Dead'

ing in Action Over Year In Korea

The names of two Washington County soldiers were included umptive finding of dead has been nade, announced January 8 by They were listed as Pfc. Eddie C. Baker, son of Mrs. Mary Baker, of Rt. 2, Roper, and Pfc. John C. Blount, jr., son of Mrs. Alice M. Blount, Rt. 1, Plymouth.

Blount, second reported county casualty of the Korean fighting, enlisted in the service June 9 1950, following his graduation in May from Plymouth Colored High School. In September of that year he was sent to Japan with the Third Infantry Division.

The last letter received by Blount's mother from him was on December 4, 1950, she said, and the letter was dater November 11. He stated in that letter that he was on a ship en route to Korea from Japan and he asked that his people back home pray for him. Blount's parents were Building Repair

| Bound | Bound | Bound | Building Repair | In the soldier had been missing in pation since Weet | Building Repair | In the soldier had been missing | In the s in action since November 27. Baker was the third county

Jury Asks Minor

mend Painting, Repairs

Prison Camp Found in Good casualty officially reported from Condition, Jail Clean, and Korea and the second to be re-Courthouse Fair; Recom-ents were notified January 10, 1951, that he had been missing in action since December 6, 1950. The young man was with a heavy The grand jury report, submit- artillery unit attached to the

The youthful soldier, not quite tember 29, 1949. Prior to that time he attended school in Plymouth. He left the east coast on Defendant, through counsel, listed delinquent guardians.

noted an appeal and bond was listed delinquent guardians.

The report stated that the jurors Japan, on August 21, and went on August 6, 1950, arrived in Tokyo, The trial, charging Lizzie Pat- found the jail clean and sanitary to Korea early in September of

# The courthouse condition was For Roper Relocation Job throughout the county.

Washington County is among the 11 counties which will share which bids have been advertised Mrs. Tom Hopkins, chairman of for by the State Highway Com- the house-to-house work, an-

Give Lecture Here

The Rev. Wallace I. Wolverton, Ph.D., rector of St. Paul's Church, Greenville, and professor of Christian Ethics at East Carolina College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture on "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of "Communism and Christiania College, will deliver a lecture of Plymouth, in an automobile accident at Roper August 27, 1953, bender Carletet and Pender.

The Washington County project in the report stated, the building is under repair and expected to be course age gregate base course and paving with bituminous surface treat of the report stated, the building is under repair and expected to be consulted in a week or so. It was also the celotex was falling with the report stated, the building is under repair and expected to be consulted in a week or so. It

#### Now Two Openings in The report further stated that County, Ranger Says

County Forest Ranger S. Darden stated this week that schools, Rev. C. N. Barnette; largest produce buyers. there are now two openings for Queen's committee chairman, Mrs. men in fire protection work in Dick Norman; Plymouth colored Service specialists were present this year a license for the net was the county. Mr. Darden said a smokechaser

are out and there is poor fastening of doors in the gym. Improper is needed at the Plymouth tower Oklahoma 1933-34. He was chaplain of the U. S. A.A.F. from 1936

Additional information can be deadly weapon, nol pros with the laws to the school should at Scuppernong. Anyone desir door stops and rotting eaves in and that a towerman is needed contact Mr. Darden at Plymouth

### **NEW ROCHELLE SCOUTS ABOARD 'ALBEMARLE'**

See GRAND JURY, Page 5



The group of Sea Scouts and their skipper from New Rochelle, N. Y., who recently visited the Plymouth Sea Scouts for a few days are shown here aboard the Sea Scout Ship Albemarle. Pictured are Howard Yeomans, Brad Yeomans, Peter Bade, Skipper Douglas Williams, Gordon Schlafer and Lou Vario. While here the scouts were handsomely entertained and reported an enjoyable visit.

# Two County Men About Third of Property Listed to Date for Taxes

Pfc. John C. Blount, Jr., and HERRING BREAKFAST FOR JUDGE AND SOLICITOR | County Tax Supervisor Re-



Solicitor Elbert S. Peele, of Williamston, and Judge Chester A. Morris, of Coinjock, had just finished their breakfast of Roanoke River corned herring at the Mayflower Restaurant when this photo was made one morning last week while they were holding the January term of Washington County Superior Court here. Appointed solicitor by Governor Umstead in November, when George M. Fountain, of Tarboro, was elevated to the superior court bench, Mr. Peele has announced he will be a candidate for the solicitorship of the second judicial district in the Democratic primary in May. He was state senator from the second district during the 1929 and 1931 sessions of the General Assembly.—Polaroid 1-Minute staff photo.

## Organization Set Up For March of Dimes

Thirty-Four Volunteers To Conduct House-To-House BeginWednesday Solicitations Next Week-

The organization of volunteer vorkers for the 1954 March of Dimes in Washington County was completed this week, the county chairman, Thos. F. Hopkins, announced.

Mr. Hopkins stated that coin collection have been placed in the bus 233 houses in Plymouth and that all materials relative to the drive have been distributed

House-to-house solicitations are to be made in Plymouth by a corps of workers Thursday, Frihighway improvements on day and Saturday of next week nounced a list of 34 workers inthe day and the jury, after getting the case, deliberated only about an hour before bringing in the verdict.

An inspection of school property disclosed that the roof at Crestandary 26 and two days later the commission will meet to report the verdict.

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> following general organizations and various local chairmen:

Wenona chairmen, Mr. and Mrs. \$1,000 an acre. Oliver Stotesberry.

schools, the chairman stated.

#### Local Police Chief To Head Officers' Group

Plymouth Police Chief P. W. Brown was elected to succeed Sheriff M. W. Holloman, of Marton County, as president of the Martin-Washington County Peace Officers' Association at a recent meeting of the group in Rober-

Corporal M. C. Byrum, of Mar-

Included on the executive enport, park ranger. poard of the association are two

# Holiday Closing

At a meeting Tuesday after-noon at the Mayflower Restaurant a group of Plymouth merchants voted to begin the Wednesday half-holiday closings Wednesday of next week and to continue the practice through the last Wedn, day in Septem-

Business places, other than grocery stores, will close on Wednesdays at 12 noon with the grocers closing an hour later, it was decided. The meeting was called by Thos. F. Hop-kins, president of the merchants association, and attended by about 15 persons. Stores in most nearby towns have already begun the half-holiday closings.

W. T. Freeman reported that

County treasurer, Nick Ange; ed and that many would be rep- wishes to call attention to a publicity chairman, James Bond; resented on the market here, in- change in the regulations for Plymouth business solicitations, cluding the Atlantic Commission using dip nets (better known as Melvin Boyd; Plymouth white Company, said to be the world's herring nets) for taking non-

Several State College Extension Mr. Terry states that prior to chairman, A. R. Lord; material and spoke enthusiastically for the sufficient and anyone could use distribution, A. J. Ange, Steve new market, pointing out that a tagged net. Now the law has and Larry Hopkins and Lowes Plymouth would be an ideal lo- been changed to make it neces-Moore: Creswell white chairman, cation and that the auction mar- sary for anyone using such nets Mrs. Gladys Davenport: Creswell ket is the answer to what is need- to have an individual license, cost colored chairman, P. W. Little- ed. Representatives of both local of which is fifty cents, Mr. Terry ohn; Roper white chairman, Mrs. banks were also on hand, as were said Beulah Gaylord: Roper colored the county agent and home agent. These may be obtained from chairman E. V. Wilkins; Mackeys Several farmers reported gross the game protector or from any chairman, Mrs. Herbert Chesson: income from truck crops up to of the following: Blount's Hard-

for solicitation by students in the that present plans call for the Harry Barnes, Creswell. construction of necessary build- The 1954 fishing licenses are on

ports Fair Progress; Task In Plymouth Township One-Third Completed

About one-third of those expected to list taxes in Plymouth Township-based on last year's igures-had listed through Wednesday of this week, Township List Taker Clarence L. Blount,

Mr. Blount said there were around 1,500 who listed in the township last year. Through Wednesday, the number listing had reached about the 500 mark.

W. A. Roebuck, who is working along with Mr. Blount in the comnissioners' room at the courthouse and listing for the Town of Plymouth, termed listing to date as "slow."

Meanwhile, the job of listing which must be completed by February 1 is progressing well in the other townships of the county, Hubert L. Davenport, county tax supervisor, reported. Mr. Davenport stated that he did not have ny definite figures but that the ob was going nicely in the other townships, including Lees Mill, Scuppernong and Skinnersville.

Mr. Davenport urged the importance of early listing in order to avoid a last-minute rush as well as to save inconvenience to ooth persons listing and to the ist takers who are usually hardpressed as the deadline nears. He pointed out that listing is normaly heaviest at the first and last f the week and said a good time to list would be in the middle of he week, during the slack per-

Schedules for various listers in he county have been submitted o Mr. Davenport as follows:

Lees Mill Township, R. W. Lewis, lister: January 5 and 18 at T. W. Tarkenton Store, Pleasant Grove; January 7 and 20 at W. B. Davenport Store, Mackeys; January 14 and 25 at T. R. Chesson Store, Westover; January 11 and 22 at Radcliffe Store, We-nona; all other dates in January and also February 1 at Knowles' Grocery, Roper.

Scuppernong Township, P. B. Belanga, lister: January 6, 13, 20 and 27 at Cherry; January 14 and 28 at Newland; all other dates in January and also February 1 at

Skinnersville Township, W. W. White, lister: January 6 and 20 at Mrs. E. L. Cooper's Store; January 13 and 27 at W. E. Phelps Store; January 28 at Mrs Mattie P. Harirngton's store; all other To Operate Here P. Harington's store; all other dates in January an dalso February 1 at W. W. White's store.

Washington County game proseveral buyers had been contact- tector J. T. Terry, of Plymouth, game fish such as herring.

ware Store or Boyd's Firestone The market definitely will ope- Store, in Plymouth; N. G. Ches-The six-dime cards will be used rate in 1954 and it was stated son, Roper; H. W. Pritchett or

ngs on the old Brinkley Ball sale at the same places, it was

# Pettigrew Park Work Checked by Douglas

Ben Douglas, of Raleigh, di-|facilities at the park. The work

A new boat pier is being coning changed to generally improve time, according to Mr. Davenport.

rector of the Department of Con- is under the direction of W. S. servation and Development, was Tarlton, research worker for the tin County, was named vice presiin the county last Saturday. He
dent, and Deputy Sheriff D. A.
visited Pattigram State Development, was
under his direction have uncov-Roberson, also of Martin, secre- visited Pettigrew State Park, ered the foundations of a number ary. Patrolman B. W. Parker, of near Creswell, inspecting work of old buildings around the site Martin, continues in the office of now underway there to improve of the Collins and Pettigrew facilities, according to T. F. Dav- plantations, as well as the walks, which are being restored.

Work on the pier is expected to officers from this county-Plym- structed at the Lake Phelps end be completed within a few weeks, outh Policeman Foy Davenport of 50-Foot Canal, brick walks are and State Highway Patrolman being replaced around the old improvments planned at the park Carl Gilchrist, stationed at Plym- Collins House, and roads are be- will require considerable more