was installed as first vice president of the student government

association at East Carolina College in Greenville Wednesady night. Other major officers of the association ,including the president, Wade H. Cooper, of Raleigh

he was rushed last Thursday. He

poliomyelitis but a diagnosis re-

of Mr. and Mrs. Philip True-

blood, of The Pines, near Plym-

most of the Easter season, re-

turning to her home Monday

Television fans in this section

are looking forward to May 1.

when the Norfolk station changes

a much higher tower. Power also

stations sometimes ruins pro-grams telecast from Norfolk. A

gala program is being planned by the station to mark the

Winslow Talks at

South Albertarle

Additional funds will be needed

before the Croatan Sound bridge

members of the Southern Albe

marlé Association board of direc

tors last week. Mr. Winslow was

principal speaker at the directors'

meeting, which was held in the

The commissioner also told the

Southern Albemarle group that

he favored construction of a toll

bridge acrss the Alligator River

betlow Columbia on U. S. 64.

However, he said legislation

would be necessary at the next General Assembly to legalize the sale of bonds backed by the State

to provide funds for such a pro-

ject. He did promise that ferry

service across Alligator River

would be improved as soon as the

Speaking of the Croatan bridge,

Mr. Winslow said the allocation of

\$750,000 by Governor Umstead for

this project was only a starter and that an additional \$2,250,000 would be needed. The bridge will

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Closes This Week

Easter Seal Sale

the county this year.

enport said Tuesday.

able for publication next Thurs-

day. "The need is urgent, the

cause is worthy, and I trust that

all those to whom seals were

mailed will send in their contri-

butions right away," Mrs. Dav-

Croatan bridge is completed.

courthouse here last Thursday.

trict Highway Commissioner,

change-over on May 1st.

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Two County Contests in Primary May 29th

were installed at the same time In general elections held on the campus in March, Singleton was leasted SGA first viscoprosides. Two Ordered Held elected SGA first vice president, second most influential student office on the campus. For Court in July Jerry Trueblood is reported as on Slaying Charge "somewhat better" at MaryView Hospital, Portsmouth, Va., where

Preliminary Hearings Held was suffering with symptoms of In Recorder's Court Tuesvealed meningitis. He is the son day for Men Involved in Three Fatalities Recently

Following preliminary hearings Local Methodists hope to have in recorder's court here Tuestheir new educational building day, two colored men were ordercompleted in time for holding the ed held for trial at the July term district conference there on May of superior court on charges 4. Most of the work is being done growing out of three deaths in by volunteer workers who are the county in the past two weeks. members of the church. The main | Probable cause was found in both part of the church has just been cases by Recorder W. Ronald redecorated and was used the Gaylord, one man being held first time for Easter services without bond and the other rewithout bond and the other re-Sunday. The main auditorium manded to jail in default of \$5,was completely done over, new 000 bond.

ceiling panels installed, walls, Nathan Thomas, Mackeys Negpews and floor refinished and ro, was charged with the fatal shooting of Aline Moore and Violet Chesson, both Negroes of Mac-Mrs. Sterling McCombs had a close call at her home here last keys, on Saturday night, April 3. Thomas fled the scene and was Friday, when she was nearly captured in Philadelphia, Pa., the overcome by fumes from a highly following Monday. He did not concentrated household bleaching fight extradition and was returncompound. She was removed to ed to the county the week after the hospital and placed under an the shooting oxygen tent, where she spent

He did not take the stand at the hearing here Tuesday, and fol-lowing presentation of evidence by the state, the recorder directed that Thomas be held for firstdegree murder, without privilege

of bond. The other case was that of to Channel 3 and begins use of George Skinner, Creswell Negro, arrested by Sheriff J. K. Reid is to be greatly increased. At the last Thursday as the result of the present time interference of other fatal beating of Calvin Wynne, 37 - year - old white logwoods worker, in Skinnersville Satur-day night, April 10. Probable cause of unlawful slaying was found against Skinner, and he was remanded to jail when he failed to raise the \$5,000 bond required.

The state presented evidence that Skinner and Wynne engaged n an affray outside a colored Directors' Meet store in Skinnersville April 10, during which Wynne was knock-Construction of Toll Bridge ed to the ground and allegedly kicked by Skinner. Wynne went to his home and died early Sun-Across Alligator River day morning as the result of a ruptured spleen. Skinner did not take the stand at the hearing

Both men are scheduled to be tried at the July term of Washington County Superior Court.

can be constructed, J. Emmett Winslow, of Hertford, First Dis-

Services were conducted Saturday by the Rev. Walter Armstrong, pastor, for Mrs. Della Sawyer Phelps, 78, at Holly Neck Church of Christ. Mrs. Phelps, a native of Tyrrell County but board of health officials are bea resident of Roper RFD, died last ing followed in construction of Thursday morning at 3:30 a. m. at the pool, although not required, her home, following a long period of declining health.

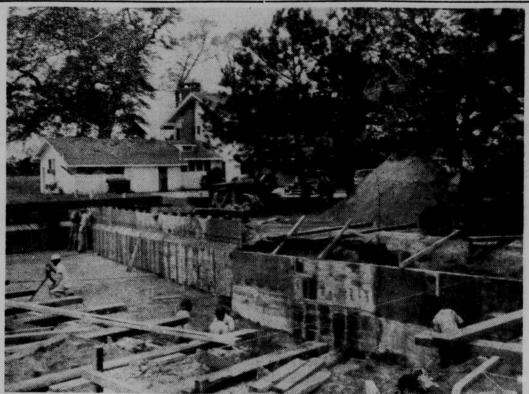
She was the widow of the late Winnie Phelps, of near Roper, nd the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lott Sawyer, of Tyrrell County. She was born August 16, 1875, and had lived in this county for 58 years, coming here from her native Tyrrell.

She was a member of Holly Neck Church

A daughter, Mrs. Minnie Bas-night, of Roper RFD, survives. Services were held at the hurch at 3 p. m. and interment ollowed in the church cemetery. The remains were left at Horner's Funeral Home here until an

our prior to the service

CONSTRUCTION OF SWIMMING POOL STARTED AT COUNTRY CLUB HERE



Construction was started last week on a swimming pool at the Country Club of Plymouth, as shown in the above photo. The pool, with an area of some 1,800 square feet, is located just to the left and in front of the club building, a portion of which appears in the background. The work is under the supervision of M. J. Polk, who says the pool will be completed and ready for use by the middle of June.—Polaroid 1-Minute staff photo.

Club Swimming Pool Free Inspection Work Is Begun Here

1,800 Square Feet in Area; Fully Equipped; Ready For Use by Middle of June, Officials Say

Work was started last week on swimming pool at the Country Club of Plymouth, and it is ex-pected to be ready for use by the middle of June, according to M. J. Polk, who is in charge of construction. Addition of the pool to facilities available at the club is expected to greatly increase its membership, according to Rober E. Bowen, chairman of a special membership committee appointed recently.

The pool will have approxi-mately 1,800 square feet of area, according to the specifications. Depth will range from 3½ feet to 9 feet, and its width is 30 feet at the deep end by 38 feet at the shallow end, and it will be 68 Mrs. Della Phelps filters and chlorination feed equipment have been ordered, an and the whole set-up is to be completed by June 15th, prob-

> Recommendations by the state since the pool is not public but restricted to the use of members. Showers and dressing rooms also are planned, and a life guard will be on duty at all times when the pool is open. A fence will be built around the pool, and the gate will be kept locked when the life

guard is not present. A new schedule of membership dues was adopted recently by the board of directors, to become effective on July 1st. Total costs of a family membership, including children under 21 years of age, will be \$15 per quarter, plus a \$5 initiation fee. This is for all club privileges, except golf, and reported.

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Service for All

Manager of Local Auto Firm

Although there is at present no lay compelling North Carolina motorists to undergo auto inspection lanes similar to those in some other states and in this state a few years back, they will have opportunity for voluntary inspec ion service, according to J. W. House, manager of House Chevroet Company here.

The local auto firm is authorized sponsor of a volunteer vehicle safety campaign starting Monday of next week, Mr. House said.

chanical condition of vehicles for it. generally. Such important items as brakes

wiper and rubber, etc., will be gone over for defects and notes made of items needing attention. If the car is safe to drive, a signed sticker placed on the windshield will tell the cock-eyed

Owners of all types and makes are cordially invited to take adnealth nurse, this week calls at- vantage of the service which is being endorsed strongly by both regularly scheduled pre-school Governor Umstead and State Mo-clinic, to be held Friday of this tor Vehicles Commission Ed

Challenge Outline 14 Candidates Filed Will Be Given To For Total 10 Offices

County Agent, Speaking for Committee, Advises of Delay in Getting Covers for Filers Saturday

Presenting of the Challenge Program to the public will come some time next fall, it was learned here this week.

Originally, it had been planned to have the program worked out and ready for public presentation within weeks but delay in getting the covers made at Ra-leigh necessitated the postponement, W. H. Pruden, county agent who is head of the Challenge group, reported this week.

The report came in the form of a general letter to Challenge Committee members from Pruden and was mailed following a meeting here last week of the Washington County Agricultural Workers Council. The council is made up of the various agencies, their representatives, farm workers and leaders in the county and allied fields.

The letter from Pruden went on to explain in part: The completed Challenge Program has been ready for two weeks with the exception of a cover. The committees thought an attractive cover was essential and much desired for our program since so much Vehicles Coming | work had gone into developing this long-range program. A comwork had gone into developing mittee was appointed to work out arrangements for this cover which was to be printed in Ra-Announces Cooperation in leigh. Arrangements were made New Voluntary Safety in due time and the cover sent to Raleigh, but due to over-surplus of work in the Raleigh office we will be unable to get these covers until sometime in May.

In view of of tiese circumstant, the Workers Council voted to postpone presenting this program throughout the communities in Washington County until sometime in the fall. It was felt of business of the registrars. that farmers would be so busy during the planting season transplanting tobacco, etc., that they would be unable to attend night meetings and it is most import- have moved from one precinct t ant that this program be placed in the hands of every farmer in this county. The Agricultural Council has requested the county of the county o The check-up is entirely free and without obligation, it is un-council has requested that each moved into the state should also warehouses To Be Made derstood. It is designed to make of you on this committee inform register during the period from for greater safety on the streets and highways through better medelay and tell them the reason Saturday. May 1 through May 15.

All of us feel the importance of this program and we would teering, lights, horn, windshield, like for each of you to use every means at your disposal to keep the interest that was developed alive until the program can be presented next fall.

The Challenge program, when completed ,will cover every phase of production, a complete land use program, advance theories of modern diversified agriculture designed to keep farmers employed on the farm the year round, stress the need and profit-See CHALLENGE, Page 7

SOUTHERN ALBEMARLE ASSOCIATION OFFICERS HERE LAST WEEK

No Last-Minute

Contrary to usual custom in Washington County, there were no last-minute filers for political office last Saturday. Harry W. Pritchett, who had previously announced he would be a candidate for reelection as county commissioner from the Scuppernong Township, paid the filing fee and officially became a candidate Friday; and filed Saturday for constable in Lees Mill Township.

Several rumored candidacies for various offices failed to materialize, as did Republican opposition for county jobs. The deadline was passed at 6 p. m.

Open Registration Books in County Saturday, May 1st

Remain Open Through Sat- appear on the primary ballot, as Absentee in Primary

Next item of interest on the orimary election calendar for Washington County is opening of books for registration, which begins in all six voting precincts on Saturday, May 1. The books will then remain open for the following two weeks, with registrars required at the polling places on each of the three Saturdays during that period. On other days, persons qualified may register at the residences or place

this year, and those who have registered and voted previously need not do so again, unless they Saturday, May 22, has been

designated as "challenge day," although this is usually just a formality in this section. The primary election will be held on Sat urday, May 29, with the polls open from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p. m.

The only persons allowed to vote absentee in primary elections are members of the armed forces and their wives. Requests for absentee ballots for members of the service may be made by letter to the chairman of the board of elections in the votther, mother, brother, sister or child.

Eight Without Opposition Certified as Nominees and Names Will Not Appear On Ballot

Fourteen candidates for county offices, one for district senator and one for a township office had filed with the county board of elections when the deadline was reached last Saturday evening at 6 o'clock, according to W. T. Freeman, chairman of the board.

Only two contests are assured for county offices, and voting in one of them is limited to Scuppernong Township. The contest for district senators also will be on the county ballot. Edward L. Owens, of Plymouth, is the only candidate to file with the county board for senator, but two others are known to have announced, and it is expected their names will be certified by their respective county boards of elections by the latter part of this week.

The seven candidates for county offices and one for a township office who have no opposition vere certified as Democratic nominees by the county board of elections at a meeting held immediately after the deadline last Saturday. Their names will not urday, May 15; Service they have no opposition. Contrary to expectations, no Republicans they have no opposition. Contrary Men and Wives May Vote filed for any of the county offices, which means that none of the Democratic nominees will have opposition in the general election next November.

Principal interest on a countywide basis is centered in the race for representative, enlivened last week by the entry of another candidate, former representative Ben A. Sumner, of Plymouth, who served in the 1943 Tegislature Dr. J. M. Phelps, of Creswell, and former representative E. O. Arnold, of Skinnersville, who serv-

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No new registration is required Auction Sheds and Other Buildings

Available To Growers for Regrading and Repacking, Said

The Plymouth Produce Auction Market will soon be ready for its spring and summer season. Buildings have been completed for all phases of the operation. Warehouses to be made available to buyers for regrading and repacking, and unloading sheds for the convenience of both buyers and growers have been arranged.

The operators of the market report that they are contacting buyers daily to be on this market when the season opens which will begin with snap beans-probably about the third or fourth week in May. The exact opening date will be announced later. Indications from all over the 18-county area are that growers have planted a substantial acreage of snap beans. Cucumbers and squash are now being planted. Transplanting of pepper and tomato plants to the open field is now in full swing and will continue until May 10-15th. The operators wish to advise all growers that pepper and tomato plants are available - if interested in plants contact the market operators.

Other vegetables are also being planted - lima beans, okra, field peas, watermelons, cantaloupes, sweet corn, and others. The market operators also report that they will sell flowers at auction on this market-principally gladiolus. A large number of flower growers in the Terra Ceia section near Plymouth have a large acreage and have indicated that they plan to sell on this market. A number of buyers have indicated their interest in this phase of the operation. The outlook appears very fav-

orable for the '54 season. With the cooperation of everyone in the area this new market will be a great asset to Eastern North Carlina. The assistance of the N. C. Department of Agriculture, the county agents, the extension service has been most helpful in promoting the market. These agencies have assured growers that they will continue to assist by contacting buyers, holding packing demonstrations, and rendering any other help that the operators of the market request.



Gathered on the steps of the Washington County Courthouse here last Thursday are some of the officers and directors of the Southern Albemarle Association here for a meeting of the executive committee. Left to right in the front row are: Dr. W. T. Ralph, of Belhaven, president; Mrs. Wilton W. Smith, of Bath, secretary; J. Emmett Winslow, of Hertford, First District Highway Commissioner and guest speaker at the meeting; Mrs. Scott Topping, of Pantego, Beaufort County vice president; A. Corey, of Jamesville, Martin County vice president. Back row: N. W. Shelton, of Swan Quarter, Hyde County vice president; Julian Swain, of Columbia, Tyrrell County vice president; Harry W. Pritchett, of Creswell, Washington County vice president; Melvin Daniels, of Manteo, Dare County vice president; and Lindsay Tarkenton, of Manteo.—Polaroid 1-Minute staff photo.

OFFICIALS AT FIREMEN'S MEETING IN ROPER



Charles F. Gold (center), Insurance Commissioner of North Charles F. Gold (center), Insurance Commissioner of North Carolina, was principal speaker at the quarterly meeting of the East Carolina Firemen's Association held in Roper Tuesday of last week. Others in the photo above are, left to right: Henry S. Everett, chief of the Roper Fire Department; Reynold Spruill, mayor Roper, who made the welcoming address; Mr. Gold; I. Miller Warren, Plymouth fire chief and president of the association; and Ed Kinsay, of LaGrange, secretary.—Polaroid 1-Minute staff photo.

20 Men To Be

Local Selective Service Board No. 95 will have an induction call for five men and an induction call for 15 men to fill during May, it was learned here this week.

Called in May

Mrs. Lorraine Hunter, board clerk, made the announcement, stating that five men would leave for induction Thursday, May 20, while the 15 registrants would be sent for pre-induction

examination on the same date. A charter bus will leave Plymouth at 8 a. m., promptly, it was stated, and Mrs. Hunter urges all registrants to report to the local board office in the basement of the courthouse at ing to report on time (7:45 at the office) will be listed as delinquent, the board clerk

Pre-School Clinic Set for This Week

Miss Elizabeth Wood, county tention of the public to the next week at Creswell White School, Scheidt. beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The schedule will be rounded out with clinics Monday of next week at Creswell Colored School same hour, and at Roper Colored School, Friday of next week, also beginning at 9:30 a. m.

The clinic held at Plymouth White School last Friday was attended by 78 persons, Miss Wood

Lions Club Will Stage Bridge, Canasta Party

The Plymouth Lions Club is staging a party Saturday of this week at the Plymouth High School cafeteria, beginning at 8

Choice of bridge, set-back or canasta may be played with door and table prizes being offered. Tickets should be sent for door prizes by those who purchase tickets and who will not be present for the drawing, since it is explained that it is not necessary to be present in order to win.

Wednesday Closings Planned in Creswell

Stores and business houses in Creswell will close at 1 p. m. each Wednesday afternoon, starting May 1st, it was announced this week by Harry W. Pritchett. This custom has prevailed in Creswell for a number of years, and patrons are requested to cooperate by doing their shopping as early as possible on Wednesdays.