You really have to hand it to

the members of the local Boy Scout troop. They got out on the

streets last week-end and sold

enough to make so many sales. Scoutmaster Jimmy Kitchengs di-

basketball games had chalked on

corner an appeal for all and sundry to attend a twin bill here one

night this week at the "coliseum."

ter of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Somer-

ville, of Plymouth, was on the

dean's list at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va., the past semester, her par-

ents have been informed, Miss

Somerville also recently became

a member of Kappa Delta Pi, na-

tional education fraternity. She

Jimmy Kitchengs, local scout-

master, was really squawking in

his place of business Friday about

paying employees a buck an hour

to blow up balloons, "That's what

they did all afternoon yesterday,"

being blown up ready for sale to

augment March of Dimes funds

in the county. Scouts of Troop 284 will be the salesmen Saturday

of this week when the colorful

balloons are offered to the public

Washington County was well

Beam and W. H. Pruden at-

represented at Raleigh yesterday

at several different meetings. H.

tended a farm credit conference

conducted by the North Carolina

Bankers Association, while J. L.

Ernest Grimes attended the an-

A milk in Washington County.

Leon Dunbar, of Wenona, attend-

ed a short course on modern

farming sponsored by the bank-

ers association and co-sponsored by Branch Banking & Trust Com-

pany and Planters National Bank & Trust Company here. Of course,

Dr. J. M. Phelps and Senator

Edward L. Owens were busy with legislative affairs downtown.

Richard H. Lucas

Honored by Local

Masons Last Week

Speaker at Banquet Fri-

Carolina Grand Lodge

Lodge, No. 59, A. F. & A. M.

in attendance.

in downtown Plymouth.

ginia school.

Miss Janice Somerville, daugh-

rected the effort.

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#### SCENE FROM REHEARSAL OF 'CLUB TOP HAT"



This gives a hint of the hilarity that can be expected from "Club Top Hat," a musical revue to be presented at the Plymouth High School auditorium tonight and Friday night for the benefit of the Plymouth High School Band. Above are some of the characters from the night-club scene, including Nancy Jackson (left), cigarette girl, and Gail Harrison (right), waitress, backed up by Cecil Craft and Ben Robertson, cooks, with Mrs. Beulah Bickerstaff in the background. There will be plenty of fun and music for everybody.—Polaroid 1-Minute staff photo.

#### **Band Boosters Show** Knowles, Sidney Hassell and nual dairy conference. All of the latter three men produce Grade A milk in Washington County. Here Tonight, Friday Christian, Episcopal, Methanilla in Washington County.

### Holiday To Be **Observed Here**

The post office, banks and federal offices here will be closed Tuesday of next week in observance of Washington's birthday, which is a national

Lock box service and all dispatches will be made as usual at the post office, Postmaster J. C. Swain stated, but there will Z. V. Norman Principal be no city and rural deliveries Tuesday.

### day for Chaplain of North To Attend Bertie Loggers' Meeting

Several logging operators, forestaged a banquet at the educa-tional building of the local Methomen and others interested in the dist church last Friday night to logging business from this county are expected to attend a meethonor the Rev. R. H. Lucas, chaplain of the Grand Lodge of North ing at Thompson and Company Sawmill on Highway 13 about a Carolina. The occasion was also observed as ladies' night, with mile north of Windsor Thursday of next week. about 75 Masons and their ladies

The program will concern itself Following a course dinner served by women of the Methodist the industry to eliminate sawmill church, an enlightening and en- waste by turning edgings and tertaining program was present- such into profitable by-products.

ed, with Past Master H. H. Allen Those on the program will inserving as toastmaster. The wel- clude F. H. Claridge, state forestcome was extended by Hilton er; N. T. Barron, chief forester Dunbar, master of the lodge, and with Camp Manufacturing Com-Mrs. Frances Lucas sang two vo- pany; W. R. Smith, of Southeastcal selections, accompanied by ern Forest Experiment Station, Miss Alvah Rose Hardison at the Asheville; J. J. Forrer, engineer with Camp Manufacturing Com-Past Master Raymond Leggett pany; D. A. Wall, manager of introduced the principal speaker, Erick Company Factory Branch, Zeb Vance Norman, who paid a Salisbury; Fred C. Simmons, logglowing tribute to the Rev. Mr. ging specialist, U. S. Forest Ser-Lucas in a well-prepared address. vice, Philadelphia; W. A. Turner, Mr. Norman reviewed some of the accomplishments of Mr. Lucas, especially in overcoming the nel from the N. C. Division of handicap of increasing blindness Forestry.

and going on to render outstand-A barbecue dinner will be furnished by the Windsor Lumber

ing service to his church, com-See LUCAS, Page 10

Auditorium; Local Talent

Good crowds are anticipated for

sponsored by the Plymouth Band ime set for 8 o'clock.

that period. An excellent cast has Swindell, of Beaufort County, show committee.

Edith Womble in the role of host-ess. The cigarette girl is played trict on the benefits of the proby Nancy Jackson and waitresses gram to him. are Gail Harrison and Mary Elea-

follows: Junius, Vic Alexander: Jim, Mack Marrow; Sterling with developments recently in the industry to eliminate sawmill Hutchins; Ernest Lee, Walter header at Roper Thursday night

ry Allen, trumpets, and Ronnie Matheny and Burton Ange, trom-

Dancers, directed by Mrs. Iris Etheridge, are Carol Ann Owens, Hardison, Gail Skiles, Mary Louise Cratch, Wynn Lindsay, Gloria Robertson, Narcissa Har-rison, Mary Margaret Atamanchuk, Betty Lou Davenport, Ra-

# Hunting, Fishing License

Sales of fishing, hunting and are depleted and farmers are en- ed a somewhat surprising in-Mr. Covington will discuss all couraged to make arrangements crease over sales of the previous

since it determines the price per tatoes, Mr. Pruden said in urging against \$7,416 for the previous bushel the grower will receive. attendance.

Announcement Made By Board Acts After Learning Mrs. W. J. Weaver, President of Sponsoring Women's Church Group

will be announced later.

Plymouth, it was explained, is among 1,900 communities in which local councils of church women have assumed the responsibility for the promotion of World Day of Prayer and increasingly are forming interdenominational prayer and study groups to carry on after the observance.

An offering taken at the service is divided between home and foreign missions, with home missions split into three groups: Indian Americans, low-income rural communities and agricultural migrants. Between 40 and 60 per cent of budget under these headings depends on World Day of Prayer offerings, it is said.

ed by United Church Women. unite all Christians in a bond of change, it is believed.

Drayer and to make an offering Commissioner Philip Spruill for Christian missions at home

The Plymouth Council is made up of women from the Baptist, Christian, Episcopal, Methodist

The regular quarterly meeting of the Pamlico Soil Conservation Services Monday District will be held here Thurs

Morning and afternoon sessions will be held in the auditorium of the county Agriculture Building and a luncheon is set for the banquet room of the Mayflower Restaurant at 12:30 p. m.

The morning session will open at 10 o'clock and the afternoon The show is dated in the early session at 2 o'clock. The meeting 30's with music and costumes of will be presided over by Allen been assembled, according to Mrs. chairman of the district and also W. D. Walker, chairman of the president of the State Association of District Supervisors.

## Unique Twin Bill Set

Everything is reported in readi-

Horner, Jean Tetterton and Janet charged and proceeds will be used ter, Mrs. S. M. Woodley, of Nor to finance the mother-daughter folk; two brothers, J. S. Davenand father-son banquet.

cordially invited.

# World Church Day Real Estate Put on Books Annual Red Cross Set for Plymouth On February 25th At Half of Assessed Value Fund Drive To Be Held Next Month

World Day of Prayer, an annual event, will be held here friday, February 25, under sponsion here Tuesday night, voted to sorship of the Plymouth Council use a yardstick of 50 per cent to of Church Women, Mrs. W. J. put the results of the revaluation church building. Weaver, president of the council, project on the books for tax pur-

The service will be held at Lud-ford Memorial Baptist Church R. M. Byrd, jr., who has been doand Mrs. P. B. Nickens will have ing the revaluation work on real charge of the program. Details property in the county during the past 15 months.

Mr. Byrd told the commission ers that he was just about through with the revaluation work. He stated that instead of using 100 per cent of the current market value on real estate h used the figure of 80 per cent. He then gave the following figures on the new valuation of property:

Real estate, \$15,664,886; personal \$3,214,121, as against the old figures of \$7,373,000 and \$3,-272,000, respectively.

By putting the real estate valulation of \$15,644,886 on the tax books at 50 per cent it will leave the total valuation substantially the same, with the possibility that the tax rate will remain unchanged. The valuation of some The purpose of the day, as stat- tracts will show an increase and others will be decreased, but the the sponsoring organization, is to overall figures will reflect little

> then made the motion that the books. Commissioner J. C. Knowles seconded the motion and the ensuing vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.

The new valuation totals \$18,-879,007 against the old figures of \$10,645,000, or an increase of \$8,-

See VALUATION, Page 10

Funeral services were held director said.

Monday at 2 p. m. from Holly Neck Church of Christ for Samuel funds collected was the nice net B. Davenport, 77, of near Roper. Mr. Davenport died at 10:30 a. m. Saturday at his home, following a long illness. He had been in declining health for the past 15 was \$158 above expenses.

The deceased was a native of year, Miss Jo Hobbs this county, born February 28, 1877, the son of the late Lafay- ing meter receipts here next ette and Harriet Marriner Davenweek-end will be donated to the Church of Christ, near Roper. port. He spent his entire life in March of Dimes fund, although For Roper Community the county and was a retired no definite announcement has farmer and merchant.

Mr. Davenport was a member of Holly Neck Church, near Rop-

The girls' game is slated to get underway at 7:30 o'clock. An admission of 25 cents for children Phelps, of Roper; and Mrs. Judia phelps, of Roper; and Society of Roper; one significant of Period of Declining Edentor; and C. B. Hardison, of Image of Period of Declining Edentor; and Image of Period of Declining Image of Period of Pe port, of Roper, and L. F. Daven-A full evening of entertainment port, of Plymouth; 13 grandchilpromised and the public is dren and nine great-grandchil-

SERVICE CERTIFICATE PRESENTED TO BEACON



In the above photo Bob Howell, local Boy Scout chairman is shown presenting a certificate for meritorious news service to W. H. Booker, of The Beacon. Others shown, left to right, are Billy Blackburn and Gilbert Vaughan, Beacon employees, Sea Scout Neal Carter, Tenderfoot Scout Jack Horner, and Club Scout Stanley Brewer. Before the presentation, the three scouts made brief laudatory speeches expressing appreciation for publicity givn the organizations by the paper.—Polaroid 1-Minute staff photo.

### Revaluation Had Added Building and Lot Sale About \$8,000,000 to Value Ordered by Christians

authorized the sale of the present

removal of the buildings. Interested persons are referred to Ben-

The building is of frame con- from Main to Third Street in the hurst has announced. The drive struction and it is pointed out that near future. A successful drive it will yield considerable lumber for \$75,000 toward erection of the suited for use in construction. new plant was made here early Church officials said a satisfact- last year under direction of the ory arrangement will be worked Wells organization, a national out to make possible an orderly fund raising concern. The amount was pledged on a 150-week basis.

No word was available this ton Liverman or LeRoy Ange. week on just when start of the

About 15 volunteer firemen

were routed out of warm beds

to answer a fire alarm in well-

below-freezing weather here

Wednesday morning at 4:15

o'clock. Prompt action saved a one-room shanty near Price Machine Shop on Wilson Street Ext. but another one-room col-

ored residence was a total loss.

Fire Chief Miller Warren re-

Rites Today for

Jim F. Hardison

Jim F. Hardison, retired farm-

er of near Plymouth, died at his

home Tuesday at 8:45 p. m. after

in 1911 at Williamston to Mrs.

Lizzie Gardener of that place. He

was a member of Saints Delight

Surviving are his wife; his mo-

ther; two daughters, Mrs. Dare

all of Plymouth, and Bennie

three months.

### Quota of Polio Drive Near, Director States

#### Total Now Stands at \$3,000 Collectors and Parking Meters To Come

"The goal is in sight," Thos. F Hopkins, county director of the 1955 March of Dimes fund drive, declared Wednesday morning. Mr. Hopkins said that with \$3,-000 now reported and town park-50 per cent figure be used to put ing meter receipts and receipts the new valuation on the tax from coin collectors in stores all

over the county to be turned in it is virtually certain that the actual quota of \$3,300 will be met. The goal toward which compaign workers are actually striving, however, is \$3,500.

Mr. Hopkins was high in his Boy Scout troop for their fine ef-orts in selling the polio fighter

balloons. Under the direction of Scoutmaster Jimmy Kitchengs For County Mail the boys braved the extreme cold and little winds of last weekend and have already sold \$100 worth of the balloons, the county

profit shown by the annual March of Dimes Ball held here last Sat-

About 200 persons attended the The Rev. L. M. Ambrose, of ball and danced to the music of Creswell, officiated Burial was the high school dance band, dein the church cemetery. The re-spite the bitter cold weather. An Tom Hopkins, local furniture dealer, plays the part of the prolives near Plymouth on the Washlives near Plymouth on the Washli the March of Dimes queen of last ty for 30 years. He was married

It is now believed that parkbeen made.

#### Reason, of Williamston, and Mrs. Louis Hassell, of La Rochelle, header at Roper Thursday night of this week between Future attendant. He also was a justice r, and was a deacon and regular attendant. He also was a justice representation of this week between Future attendant. He also was a justice representation of the basketball double- of Holly Neck Church, near Rophele, Paul, Garland Hardison, representation of the basketball double- of Holly Neck Church, near Rophele, Prance; six sons, Dewey, James, Herbert, Paul, Garland Hardison, representation of the basketball double- of Holly Neck Church, near Rophele, Prance; six sons, Dewey, James, Herbert, Paul, Garland Hardison, representation of the basketball double- of Holly Neck Church, near Rophele, Prance; six sons, Dewey, James, Herbert, Paul, Garland Hardison, representation of the basketball double- of the basketball doubl Cooks are Cecil Craft, Ben Robertson, Ben Windley and Pete Brockhard. Sam Buford is listed Homemakers of America boys futher Farmers of America boys Davenport. The also was a justice of the peace for several years. His wife was the late Jane Phelps Davenport. Hardison, of Williamston; three

Carnoustie, Scotland

professional at the Country Club Waters, of Plymouth. Burial will of Plymouth for most of the past be in the Hardison Cemetery near 12 years, died in his apartment at the club here shortly before 11

The remains will be left at Horo'clock Monday night, following a ner's Funeral Home until one lingering illness, Mr. Kinnear had been in failing health for about carried to the church. two years, although he continued his work at the club until shortly before Christmas.

Mr. Kinnear was a native of Carnoustie, Scotland, near where the game of golf originated, and he had served as professional for a number of clubs in England, Canada and the United States before coming to Plymouth in 1943. During World War I he served in ment of Scots in France and Bel-gium. He was severely gassed ducted in two years, it has been and it is hoped to obtain as co-plete information as possible. during that conflict and never announced. entirely recovered from its ef-

Son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Kinnear, of Carnoustie, Scotland, he was born on April of Plymouth Methodist Church. mation from which statistics valprenticeship in pro shops in his native Scotland and after the war was assistant professional at the war was assistant professional at the Church at 1:30 p. m. for instruct
The information, on cards, will left England in the early twenties it was said.

County Quota Set at \$2,500; Definite Dates To Be Set At Meeting Here Next Tuesday Night

Dates for the annual fund drive by the Washington County chap-ter of the American Red Cross The congregation plans to erect will be decided at a meeting a \$160,000 brick church plant on Tuesday night of next week, a \$160,000 brick charter partial ruesday mgnt of a 150 by 400-foot lot extending Chapter Chairman A. L. Whitewill be conducted during the month of March.

Dr. Whitehurst was named chapter chairman at an organizational meeting held Tuesday night of last week. Mrs. Lawrence Jones is secretary.

The meeting next week is to be held at the county courthouse here, Dr. Whitehurst said, and is scheduled to open at 7:30 o'clock. All civic organizations in the county are requested to have repesentatives present.

The chapter chairman explained that rather than have any one organization sponsor the campaign this year, it is hoped that all county organizations will par-

Most Plymouth civic organizations were represented at the organizational meeting, along with

a few from other communities.

It is planned to have several informative talks on the importance of the Red Cross program both on the county and national level incorporated in the program next Tuesday, Dr. Whitehurst stated.

The Red Cross blood program, disaster work and home service work will be discussed by competent speakers. The program will pe designed to give ample information to all organizations which will help in the annual drive.

The county quota for this year is \$2,500, it was said.

### Owner of the property was listed as Eli Winesett. Origin of the blaze was not determined, an elderly colored man who stayed in one of the shanties telling the fire chief that when he know anything the houses were all ablaze. Meeting To Fight Proposed Changes In Soybean Grade

Commissioner of Agricul-ture L. Y. Ballentine Announces Meeting in Raleigh Next Monday

an illness of three weeks. He had been in declining health for about Washington County soybean growers will be interested in an announcement made this week by He was a native of Martin L. Y. Ballentine, state commis-County, born August 12, 1887, son of Florence Hardison, of Plymore of Florence Hardison, of Plymore outh, and the late L. C. Hardison, grades. sioner of agriculture, concerning proposed changes in soybean

In making the announcement, Ballentine said an open meeting of soybean farmers has been scheduled for Monday of next week in Board Room 355 of the Agriculture Building, State Department of Agriculture, Raleigh.

Purpose of the meeting is for

soybean farmers to express their desires in the matter and effect a possible solution to the problem. The proposed change in grades would decrease the maximum limit in foreign material by one sisters, Mrs. John Price, of James- per cent in each numerical grade,

Long Period of Declining

Edenton; and 19 grandchildren.

Last rites will be conducted from Plymouth Christian Church and damaged kernels in each and damaged kernels in each Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock grade, and cause beans with blue James Broomfield Kinnear, golf Edenton, assisted by the Rev. J. D. mottling or stain to grade no higher than no. 3. The announcement stated:

"We feel that these changes need the serious consideration of farmers, grain handlers, crushers and others interested in handling See SOYBEANS, Page 10

## Will Make Religious Census Here Sunday

A house-to-house canvass will and residents are urged to co-be made by volunteer church operate. It was explained that

hour prior to the service and then

and the work will be directed by viewed concerning church memthe Rev. Jesse H. Lanning, pastor bership and other pertinent infor-

the famous "Black Watch" regi- workers here Sunday afternoon such a census is not taken often and it is hoped to obtain as com-The entire town will be can-

vassed and possibly some of the The census is sponsored by the plymouth Ministerial Association stated. Residents will be inter-Volunteer workers from the uable in church work will be for-

all cooperating churches.

The information, on cards, will Sandy Lodge club in London. He left England in the early twenties it was said.

Church at 1.50 p. In. 101 market.

ions, groupings and assignments, be filed and will bring present figures up to date. The last such to become professional at a club The canvass will be made beSee KINNEAR, Page 10 The canvass will be made between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock ruary 22, 1963.

## **Meet Next Thursday** For Growers of Yams An important meeting for Acreage devoted to the crop in chel Peele, Judy Harrison and county sweet potato growers will Washington County has increased Nyal Womble.

be held at the Agriculture Building here Thursday afternoon of next week, County Agent W. H. Washington County has increased for the past two years and more and more farmers are turning to Pruden has announced. H. M. Covington, extension hor-

ticulture specialist from N. C. on hand to conduct the meeting, already all certified seed stocks ty for the season just closed show-Pruden said. Time is 2 o'clock. phases of sweet potato product- about seed stock immediately. year, figures released this week

the crop on a commercial basis, the county agent noted.

A large acreage is in prospect State College, Raleigh, will be for this year. It is reported that

ion. The sweet potato crop is one The information which will be by Game Protector J. T. Terry which requires great care in pro- presented at the meeting next of Plymouth, shows. ducing quality and since potatoes week will be of vital importance are graded, grade is important to farmers producing sweet po- \$7,907, Mr. Terry stated, as

Band Booster - Sponsored Meeting Thursday "Club Top Hat," To Be Presented in High School Of Soil Men Here

the presentation of the musical show, "Club Top Hat," here Thursday and Friday nights of morning and aft will be held in the The local talent production

Boosters will be given in the high school auditorium with curtain

prietor of the club, with Mrs. ington highway, will make a re- the service and then carried to Leggett was crowned queen by had made his home in this coun-

nor Sanderson. Myrtle Jackson has the part of Pecola, a maid. Waiters are as

as accordion soloist, while A. J. Ange will play the steel guitar.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Lonnie Jackson, of Roper, and Mrs. Chris Styons, of Cassify soybeans with green seed fathers.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Lonnie Jackson, of Coat, which in cross section are Ange will play the steel guitar. fathers. Dance specialists are Phil Ayers the Band Boosters will serve as mission of 25 cents for children Phelps, of Roper; a son, Samuel guests. Baton twirlers are Robin and 50 cents for adults will be L. Davenport, of Roper; one sis

Ed Taylor will direct the high school orchestra, with Miss Beulah Cratch and Mrs. W. D. Walker serving as pianists. Harvey Lucas will be at the drums, Steve Hop kins, Gene Hollowell, Linda Lipscomb and Nyal Womble, saxaphone, Barbara Johnston and Lar-

Jackie Polk, Flossie Nooney, Ann

# Sales in County Increase

## With Receipts From Coin Early Morning Fire Wednesday