

A total of 176 first and second graders at Roper and Creswell received their second shots of Salk polio vaccine Friday of last week and Monday of this week...

Fire Chief I. Miller Warren and Fireman Bud Lovic are attending a fireman's training school in Charlotte this week.

Two Plymouth young men were among the 286 graduates of East Carolina College, Greenville, to receive degrees at the annual commencement exercises Monday.

The Roper High School Class of 1930 will hold a reunion at the school Friday of this week at 6:30 p. m.

Mrs. W. Blount Rodman, of Plymouth, was recently named Washington County alumnae committee chairman for the \$2,200,000 Salem Academy and College Progress Fund.

Willie Hedgpeeth, young North Carolina Pulp Company employee is reported to be "rejuvenating nicely" at the Washington County Hospital here.

Members of the Plymouth High School graduating class of 1930 are making plans to hold a reunion at the school Saturday, June 18.

Rites on Tuesday For Henry Snell

Funeral services were held from Sound Side Baptist Church Tuesday at 3 p. m. for Henry Snell, 54, of near Roper.

Mr. Snell died at 2 p. m. Monday at the Washington County Hospital here. He was a native of Tyrrell County and had lived in Washington County for a period of only about six years, coming here from Tyrrell.

He leaves his widow, Emma Snell; a daughter, Shirley Ann Snell, of the home; and one sister, Mrs. Emma Harrell, of near Columbia.

Auxiliary To Sponsor Poppy Day Saturday

Plans have been completed for the sale of memorial poppies here Saturday of this week, spokesmen for the sponsoring American Legion Auxiliary of the James E. Jethro post have announced.

The town will be divided into territories and the little red flowers which are made by veterans working in hospitals and convalescent workrooms throughout the country will be offered to the public by members of the local Cub Scout pack.

Poppy Day is a nationwide memorial to America's war dead, rendered by wearing a veteran-

NEW OFFICERS OF PLYMOUTH POST VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS



Officers for the new fiscal year were installed last Friday night following a dinner meeting of the Bosie Bateman Post, No. 4023, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

New Health Center For County Planned

Observed After Fall From Bike

Sylvester Smith, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, of 119 W. Main Street, Plymouth, was admitted to Washington County Hospital shortly after 2 p. m. Wednesday and kept overnight for observation.

No Records Set At Sale of Lambs Here on Monday

Number of Animals Offered Falls Short of Expectations With Receipts Below Those of Last Year

The total fell a bit under expectations but 989 animals offered at the lamb pool in Plymouth Monday of this week brought growers from several counties a total of \$13,991.01, according to figures released by the county agent's office here.

Prices were somewhat lower than they were at last year's two sales here, top lambs at that time bringing \$26.75. It was believed that with only one sale to be held here this year as compared with two last year.

It has been emphasized to the board that the present health department located in the old county home building is inadequate in every respect.

The poppies to be offered for sale here Saturday were made by veterans at Fayetteville, Oteen and Swannanoa.

No set price is charged for the poppies, and all contributions will be cheerfully received, it was stated.

A strong response by the public is urged because the number of veterans and children of veterans is steadily increasing, it has been pointed out.

Chairman Frank L. Brinkley Empowered To Act For County in Matters of a Preliminary Nature

Frank L. Brinkley, of Plymouth, chairman of the Washington County Board of Commissioners, has been empowered to sign for the county all documents and agreements with the North Carolina Medical Care Commission to select the architect and transact such other business as may require attention regarding the construction of a health center in the county.

Action was taken by the commissioners at a special meeting Wednesday night of last week when Brinkley was unanimously designated to act in such matters in the county's behalf.

At its regular meeting March 7 of this year the county board of commissioners was urged by Dr. C. C. Applewhite, of Raleigh, director of the Division of Local Health, to file an application for federal and state aid to erect a county health center here.

To secure federal aid the services of an architect to draw plans for the building are required and so the first step was taken by the commissioners Wednesday night.

Actual performance work, or acreage checking, will begin May 30 and must be completed by the end of June.

Closing Programs At Roper School Start on Friday

Class Night Exercises Friday, Followed by Annual Sermon Sunday and Graduation Exercise Monday

The commencement program at Roper High School gets underway Friday night of this week with the annual Senior Class Night exercises. It will include a Fairy Wand procession by the juniors and seniors, Scene I—the Campus, Scene II—the Ball, and the Wedding Tableau.

Scene I lists Ella, Ramona Barnes; Alma Mater, Shirley Everett; Salutatorian, Barbara Spruill; Opportunists, Juanita Hassell, Ida Overton, Avner Sawyer, jr., Ken Spruill, Annette Nicholson and William Comer, jr.

Scene II: The Prince of Tomorrow, Thomas Mitchell Barrington, III; Seniorella, Ramona Barnes; president's address, "The Land of Tomorrow," Rosa Trueblood; Cinderella—historian, Mary Lu Davenport; Ashes—photographer, William Lytleton Comer, jr.; Fairy Godmother, talent scout; The dance, seniors; the Wand—giltiferous, Sabra Phelps; Class poem, "Magic Sandals," Mary Jeanne Phelps; Class mascots, Linda Tess and Tex Barnes; A Fairy Tale—Class Prophet, Syble Lorraine Gurganus; Class song, seniors; response, juniors; The Clock Strikes Twelve—testator, Neta Mae Spruill; The Mantle, valedictorian, Margaret Ann Mizelle; The Wedding Tableau: Heralds, Avner Nickson Sawyer, jr., and Kenneth Leland Spruill; Class sponsor, Mrs. L. E. Hassell, jr.; Accompanist, Mrs. Ray T. Hopkins.

The program for the commencement sermon Sunday at 11 a. m. follows: Processional. Open song, "Holy, Holy, Holy," congregation; Invocation, the Rev. W. S. Davenport, minister Jamesville charge; songs, "Invocation" and "We Thank Thee" by Junior Glee Club; sermon, the Rev. William F. Ambrose, minister of Pleasant Hill Christian Church, Gasburg, Va.; chorus, "Hear Us, Father, As We Pray," choir.

Aerial photographs will be used to determine acreage and with well-trained reporters and the latest instruments for determining areas on the photographs, a high degree of accuracy should be maintained, it was said.

Over Three Inch Rainfall Starting Sunday Big Boost

Best "Season" of Year in Three-Day Precipitation Totalling 3.01 Inches Help Relieve Crop Conditions

Crop prospects were really "looking up" in the county and section this week as a total precipitation of 3.01 inches brought smiles to the faces of farmers and gardeners alike.

Even smoldering underground fires from the recent large forest fires in the section were finally drenched and put out by Sunday's downpour which according to figures at the weather station at Tide Water Test Farm between Plymouth and Roper totaled 1.87 inches.

Figures at the station showed precipitation on Monday amounted to .33 of an inch and on Tuesday .81 of an inch. It was the best "season" of the calendar year.

Temperatures, which reached a high reading of 89 degrees on Saturday, fell somewhat following the Sunday downpour but by Tuesday the thermometer had again climbed to 89 degrees.

There was no argument among farmers but what the rain was worth millions and as a result it is believed that the last of the tobacco transplanting was proceeding Monday.

Strict Standards To Be Maintained In Acreage Check

Series of Training Meetings Being Held; All Reporters Must Pass Test in Office And Field To Qualify

Strict standards will be maintained in the crop acreage reporting work in the county, ASC Office Manager Miriam Ausbon declared this week.

Actual performance work, or acreage checking, will begin May 30 and must be completed by the end of June.

A series of three training meetings for reporters, clerks, computers and spot checkers has been held here and a fourth meeting will be scheduled before performance work begins, Miss Ausbon said.

Elect Teachers, Set Dates For Another School Year

MARSHALLS FOR PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL FINALS



Selected from the junior class on the basis of scholastic achievement during the year, commencement marshalls for Plymouth High School are pictured above.

School Here To Start Finals Friday Night

Class Night Exercises First, Followed by Sermon Sunday and Graduation Program Tuesday Night

Commencement programs were announced complete this week by Principal J. S. Fleming for Plymouth High School. The exercises get underway Friday night of this week with the annual Senior Class Night exercises, followed by the commencement sermon Sunday and graduation exercises Tuesday night.

Class Night exercises, "Seniorella"; Seniorella, Sue Riddle; The Prince of Tomorrow, Jimmy Jackson; Class president, Mary Louise Johnson; Historian, Betsy Brinkley; Statistician, Daryl Tetterton; Poet, Raymond Stynes; Prophet, Bobby Beasley; Giftor, Pat Williams; Pianist, Beulah Cratch. All other seniors will also take part.

Commencement sermon: Processional, "Pomp and Circumstance"; Doxology, congregation; Invocation, the Rev. E. H. Carter; Hymn, "The Church's One Foundation," congregation; Scripture reading, the Rev. C. N. Barrette; Anthems, Glee Club; Prayer, the Rev. P. B. Nickens; Introduction of minister, the Rev. J. H. Lanning; Sermon, the Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, minister, First Methodist Church, Wilson; Hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy," congregation; Benediction, the Rev. E. M. Spruill; Recessional, "Pomp and Circumstance"; Music director, Edward Taylor; Pianist, Alva Rose Hardison.

Graduation exercises: Processional, "War March of the Priest"; Invocation, J. W. Norman; Choral selections, Glee Club; Salutatory, "Grist for the Mill," Harriet Keyes; Introduction of speaker, the Rev. P. B. Nickens; Address, Dr. J. Glenn Blackburn, pastor, Wake Forest Baptist Church, and chaplain, Wake Forest College; presentation of diplomas, A. L. Owens, chairman of school committee; Awards; Valedictory, "The Knighthood of Youth," Marvin Boyd; Benediction, the Rev. P. B. Nickens; Recessional, "War March of the Priest."

There are 36 members of the graduating class, 20 girls and 16 boys, who will receive diplomas Tuesday night.

Roper Ruritans Sponsor Barbecue-Brunswick Stew

The Roper Ruritan Club is sponsoring a barbecue-brunswick stew supper to be held Friday of this week at 6 p. m. at the Roper High School lunchroom, it is announced.

Special Session Held Here Monday; School Dates Set For Coming Year, Approves Teacher Contracts

At a special session here Monday the Washington County Board of Education approved contracts of teachers in the county school system for the 1955-56 term and adopted a calendar of events calling for school to open on September 1 and close May 28, 1956.

Superintendent R. F. Lowry was authorized to execute on behalf of the board the contracts for teachers.

All board members were present as follows: L. E. Hassell, chairman, and J. Whitford Swain, both of Roper; P. B. Belanga, Creswell; and Mrs. K. S. Trowbridge and J. W. Norman, both of Plymouth.

The calendar of events for the next school year lists closings for all county schools on Labor Day—September 5; Thanksgiving, November 24-25; Christmas, December 21-January 1; and Easter Monday, April 2, 1956.

White schools will close October 21 for district teachers meeting, with colored schools closed for the same reason November 11. Teachers whose contracts were approved follow:

Complete County Cancer Campaign

The annual Cancer fund drive in Washington County has been successfully completed under the chairmanship of Mrs. Ed Craft, it was announced this week.

Although there are several volunteer workers who have not turned in their final reports, the fund total stood Tuesday of this week at \$1,371.69, according to H. E. Newland, publicity chairman. This is regarded as an outstanding effort and Mrs. Craft wishes to thank all workers and every individual who cooperated to make the annual campaign a success.

Finals for Creswell School Start Friday

Commencement exercises at Creswell High School open Friday night with presentation by the seniors of "The Senior Merry-Go-Round," at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium. This is the annual Senior Class Night program and will be participated in by the entire class.

Few To Observe Holiday Monday

All federal offices will be closed Monday of next week, it being National Memorial Day, and a legal holiday. Most other business establishments will be open as usual, however, so far as could be learned late yesterday.

Dr. B. W. Cutler Elected President At Lions Meeting

New Officers Will Be Installed June 16th; Meetings Twice Monthly Is Voted During Summer

New officers were elected by the Plymouth Lions Club at its regular dinner meeting last Thursday night. The complete slate of officers had been nominated by a special committee which reported to the club on May 5, and the elections last week were by unanimous vote.

Dr. B. W. Cutler was elected president; R. E. Bowen, first vice president; J. W. House, second vice president; Dr. A. L. Whitehurst, third vice president; George H. Barden, secretary and treasurer; J. W. Marrow, Lion tamer; and Frank L. Brinkley, tail twister. Dr. E. W. Furguson and M. G. Chesson were elected members of the board of directors for four year terms and J. F. Keyes, retiring president, and H. M. Ange for two years.

The new officers will be installed on Thursday, June 16, with District Governor Ed U. Hallford, of Rocky Mount, installing officer. The club voted recently to hold meetings twice monthly during the months of June, July, August and September, instead of weekly. Meetings will be held on the first and third Thursdays.