

A number of persons are spending the week at the cottage of Dr. E. W. Furgurson at Albemarle Sound. Included are Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Carpenter, of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. John Mills, of Wake Forest, Mr. and Mrs. Conner Mitten, of Wilmington, Del., and Dr. and Mrs. Coy C. Carpenter, of Winston-Salem. Dr. Carpenter is dean of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem.

Two Plymouth girls, Misses Beulah Cratch and Sue Lassiter, left Sunday for Greensboro where they are attending the 16th annual Tar Heel Girls' State being held at the Woman's College, University of North Carolina, June 12 through June 17. The entire program is a non-partisan, non-political attempt to teach and inculcate in young citizens a love of God and country and give them the proper understanding of the American way of life. The girls' attendance is being sponsored by the Auxiliary of James E. Jethro Post of the American Legion.

Lt. and Mrs. James Polk Spruill are spending a week here with Lieutenant Spruill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Nobles, before going to New York City to visit Mrs. Spruill's relatives. Since his graduation from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point last year, Lieutenant Spruill has been stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., and Fort Riley, Kansas. He is now with the 86th Regiment of the Tenth Infantry Division and is on his way to Germany. The Tenth Division is relieving the First Division in Germany, and Spruill's outfit is scheduled to sail within the next month. Mrs. Spruill will accompany her husband, and they expect to be located in the Schweinfurt-Bramberg section of Germany.

J. T. Terry, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Terry, of Plymouth, is now employed with National Airlines, Norfolk, Va. Mr. Terry reported this week. Young Terry was recently discharged from the U. S. Navy and spent a few days here with his parents before assuming his duties at Norfolk. He served four years in the Navy and most of that time he was stationed aboard the Battleship Wisconsin.

Mrs. Frances M. Darden, home agent, will attend the annual Farm and Home Week at State College, Raleigh, next week. County Agent W. H. Pruden will attend Thursday only and expects to be accompanied by several farmers for the day.

Six persons from Plymouth plan to attend the national Junior Chamber of Commerce convention to be held next week at Atlanta, Ga. Carl L. Bailey, jr., D. Marvin Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Ward and Mr. and Mrs. James T. Boyce plan to leave Sunday for Charlotte where they will join a Jaycee motorcade leaving Monday for Atlanta. They expect to arrive in Atlanta late Monday. Some 8,000 Jaycees from all over the United States are expected to attend the event which continues through next Thursday. Those from here are going in two parties. They do not expect to return to Plymouth before Sunday, June 26.

Services for Mrs. Mobley and Infant

Joint funeral services for Mrs. Eula Mobley and infant daughter, Linda Fay Mobley, were held Friday of last week at 3 p. m. from the chapel of Horner's Funeral Home by the Rev. C. N. Barnette, assisted by the Rev. J. H. Lanning. Interment was in Windley Cemetery.

Death came at 8 a. m. last Thursday at the Washington County Hospital.

Mrs. Mobley was the daughter of Willie and Allie Hoggard Hardison, of Plymouth, and was born in Martin County October 21, 1922. She had lived here for 15 years, coming here with her family from Martin County. She was married at Plymouth September 16, 1938, to Biscoe Mobley, of Plymouth, who survives.

Sales of Whiskey Off At County's Two ABC Stores

Sales of legal whiskey at Washington County's two retail outlets during May were off a bit, mostly at the Creswell store.

According to figures released recently by Manager W. C. Stoyons, of the Plymouth store, sales at the two ABC stores amounted to \$13,840.35 for the period.

The Plymouth store showed sales totaling \$12,830.65 while sales at Creswell were reported in the sum of \$1,009.70.

HELP NEEDED TO PUT OVER "LITTLE LEAGUE" BASEBALL HERE



This is only part of the 8-to-12 "Little League" baseball aspirants that are showing up for practice sessions at the ball park here on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Right now they are being directed by Walt Hurry (right, rear) and Eugene Brown, and they need the help of some local organizations to put the program over in the proper manner. Hurry has nearly 50 youngsters lined up, enough for four teams, and the big need is for four local organizations to sponsor a team apiece. The cost will be relatively small and the returns great, because these youngsters are truly interested, and they are capable of staging some entertaining baseball even for adults. A similar turnout is reported for an older age group, 13 to 15, with Ed Taylor as director. The above photo was taken at the ball park last Friday afternoon, when Hurry had over 40 boys on hand but only one or two other adults to help him keep things moving.—Staff photo.

Roberson Wins Suit In Civil Court Here

County Posts Observe Alert

An alert was participated in Wednesday of this week, on short notice, by ground observer corps posts at Plymouth and Roper. Post supervisors Jesse Rawls, at Roper, and Dr. A. L. Whitehurst, at Plymouth, were notified by phone at 8 a. m. Apparently, it was a test in mobilization.

Nine observers at Roper turned in 11 reports, Mr. Rawls said, from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. At Plymouth, there were eight volunteers, included two girls, and seven reports were turned in, Dr. Whitehurst stated.

Lions To Install Officers Tonight

New officers of the Plymouth Lions Club, recently elected, will be installed at the regular dinner meeting of the club Thursday night of this week in the Christian Church annex, set for 7 o'clock.

District Governor Ed U. Hallford, of Rocky Mount, will serve as installing officer.

The complete slate of officers and directors is as follows: Dr. B. W. Cutler, president; R. E. Bowen, first vice president; J. W. House, second vice president; Dr. A. L. Whitehurst, third vice president; George H. Barden, secretary-treasurer; J. W. Marrow, lion tamer; Frank L. Brinkley, tail twister; Dr. E. W. Furgurson and M. G. Chesson, four-year directors; and J. F. Keyes, retiring president, and H. M. Ange, two-year directors.

LOCAL SEA SCOUTS LEAVE FOR 9-DAY CRUISE



George Painter and Mack Graham, local Sea Scouts, left last Friday morning for Norfolk, Va., where they were to board a U. S. Navy attack transport for a nine-day cruise off the eastern Atlantic coast with nearly a hundred other senior scouts of the East Carolina Council. They were taken to Norfolk by Mack's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Graham, and are pictured above loading their "sea bags" in the car preparatory to leaving. That's Mack's little sister, Dianne, with him, with Mrs. Graham looking out of the car windows.—Staff photo.

Hearing Set in Death of Young Negro Saturday

Sam Rose, in jail To Await Trial Hearing Tuesday, Claims Self-Defense in Pistol Slaying Here

Sam Rose, middle-aged Negro who has been operating a place of business for John Hall on Fifth Street here, is in jail awaiting a preliminary hearing next Tuesday before Judge W. Ronald Gaylord in connection with the fatal shooting of Alfred Spruill, Negro about 20.

Spruill died instantly from a bullet wound through the heart which he received in Hall's pool room-piccolo joint Saturday at 8 p. m. After the shooting Rose summoned police and Officers Paul Basnight and J. E. Morton responded. The officers said they found Rose with a .45 automatic in his hand when they arrived at the store at 6:15. Spruill's body was on the floor with an ax lying beside the body. Officer Basnight stated:

"Basnight said Rose told him that Spruill was advancing on him with the ax and that Rose declared he shot Spruill in self-defense. The officer said Rose stated that Spruill entered the store with the ax and began to argue, claiming that Rose had cursed his sister. Two girls in the place of business at the time left when the argument ensued and reportedly were about 75 or 100 yards from the place when they heard the shot.

Rose denied knowing Spruill's sister. Spruill lived on Adams Street with his mother. Basnight said Rose's home is near Raleigh but that he has been in Plymouth for some time.

Resident Judge of Revised District

Special Judge Malcolm C. Paul, of Washington, was appointed a regular judge for the newly constituted second judicial district by Governor Luther Hodges last week.

Judge Paul will enter upon his duties as a regular judge the first of July. He will be resident judge for the district made up of Beaufort, Hyde, Martin, Tyrrell and Washington Counties.

The appointment of Judge Paul will be good until the elections next year when it is expected that he will seek an eight-year elective term as resident judge of the district.

Since no change was made by the recent legislature in the solicitorial districts, Solicitor Elbert S. Peel, of Williamston, will continue to serve the counties of Washington, Martin, Edgecombe, Nash and Wilson.

Bosie Bateman Post, VFW Will Meet Here Tonight

The regular meeting of the Bosie Bateman Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be held at the veterans building Thursday night of this week, Commander Walter Swain has announced.

Several important items of business are on the agenda, a full commander stated, in urging a full attendance of the membership.

Complete Work on Town Sewer Line To Welch's Creek

Some 6,000 Feet of Pipe Laid at Cost of Around \$16,000, Chief Brown Reports; Serves 100 Homes

Work was recently completed by town workmen under supervision of P. W. Brown on the sewer line emptying into Welch's Creek and which serves the Plymouth Country Club and about 100 homes in Country Club Village.

Chief Brown said about 6,000 feet of pipe laid cost the Town around \$16,000, which amount came out of the general fund. Homes served by the line previously used septic tanks which have now been discontinued, Brown said.

Jack Liverman served as engineer of the project.

The project has a somewhat stormy history. Work began last year was halted in December when objections were raised by officials of True Temper Corporation to the proposed dumping of sewage into the creek. Since that time several parleys have been held between town officials, True Temper representatives, and state board of health engineers.

Following an investigation into the matter on May 9 of this year, the State Board of Health in a letter to Mayor A. J. Riddle stated that the board would permit discharge of town sewage into Welch's Creek on a temporary basis, with the understanding that a sewage treatment plant satisfactory to the board and the State Stream Sanitation Commission will be installed on this line when the stream is classified or if it is found necessary to protect the health of the workers handling logs from the canal for True Temper Corporation.

Work was resumed on the project early in April.

Manufacture of New Type House Local Industry

Completion of First of Revolutionary Pre-fabricated Houses Slated Sometime Next Month

Manufacture of a revolutionary type of pre-fabricated house starts this week in the building opposite the State Highway Commission headquarters on Route 64, Plymouth. John Petter, internationally known architect and engineer of the firm of Spaulding & Petter, Washington, D. C., and Hazard, Ky., expects to complete the first house built at the new plant by the method he designed and patented, some time next month.

The unique feature of the construction is a patented method of interlocking wooden panels. The method permits the construction of houses of various sizes and types from prefabricated parts with a minimum of on-site labor and consequently at a cost well below that of comparable houses built by other methods, Petter said. The panels can be put together on a do-it-yourself basis to form anything from a beach cabana to a six-bedroom mansion. One man can lift any of the panels, and the entire erection job can be done by two men.

The first house to be finished will be a three-bedroom farmhouse to be set up at the corner of Coul-

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Produce Market Here To Open Next Monday

W. M. Darden, W. T. Freeman and James H. Ward, owners and operators of the Plymouth Produce Auction Market, are looking forward to a good season as the market swings into operation next Monday for its second year.

Crop prospects have greatly improved in the last several weeks with good rains enjoyed in most sections which the market will serve.

Cucumbers, peppers and tomatoes are expected to furnish the bulk of offerings on the market, according to Mr. Freeman who will manage the enterprise. Cukes are

expected to be the main commodity for the first few weeks.

The major patronage is expected to come from a six-county area embracing Washington, Tyrrell, Hyde, Beaufort, Chowan and Perquimans.

The operators wish to emphasize to the growers the importance of using new containers and packing them fully and uniformly. This is vital to securing strong prices and ready sales, it was explained.

With the experience of the first year behind them, the operators confidently look forward to a successful market here this year.

125 Donors Goal For Bloodmobile

Red Cross Bloodmobile Unit From Regional Center To Make Second Appearance Of Year Next Wednesday

The Red Cross bloodmobile unit from Tidewater Regional Blood Center, Norfolk, Va., will be seeking a minimum of 125 pints of blood when it makes its regularly scheduled quarterly visit to Plymouth Wednesday of next week, local blood bank leaders have announced.

As usual, the unit will locate at the veterans building near the Washington County Hospital. Donor hours are expected to be from 10:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m., same as on the last visit March 9. At that time, 113 pints of blood were donated. That brought the total donated in the county since inauguration of the blood bank program here in December of 1950 to 2,150 pints. The visit next Wednesday will be the 18th to the county.

Dr. E. W. Furgurson, one of the blood bank's staunchest leaders, stated recently that more than 80 pints of blood have been used at the Washington County Hospital in the past month. There have been several emergencies there and Dr. Furgurson declared that at least six lives had been saved during the past three months through use of blood made available here by the blood bank program.

Again sponsoring the visit will be the local veterans' organizations. Refreshments will be served to all blood donors as in all past visits. This time the refreshments will be donated and prepared by the Plymouth Junior Woman's Club of which Mrs. Borden Korngay is president.

Also, as a special feature, arrangements have been made for blood donors to receive gifts of orchids. The orchids are being

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Crops Damaged By Hail, Wind

Undetermined damage was done to field crops in some parts of the county by hail and high winds last Saturday, County Agent W. H. Pruden reports.

The hail, about marble size, fell for 15 minutes or so and riddled some of the corn and tobacco, it was said. Farms mentioned by the county agent as suffering damage included those of Richard West, W. H. Gurkin and others near Plymouth and the Grimes farm near Roper.

County Property Sold To Horner By Board Monday

Old County Home Tract Sold For \$15,000; Health Department To Remain Until January 1 Rent-Free

At a special meeting of the county commissioners here Monday night of this week the old county home property, excepting from the tract 100 feet fronting on Highway 32, and extending back to the swamp, was sold to J. L. Horner, of Plymouth, for \$15,000 cash.

The chairman of the board, Frank L. Brinkley, and the clerk J. Robert Campbell, were authorized to execute the deed.

It was agreed by Horner that the county could use the space now occupied by the health department until January 1, 1956, rent free and that, should the new health center not be completed by then, the county could continue the health department in the building at a reasonable rent.

The county and the purchaser agreed that the rent from the county home building should go to the county for the month of June. Effective July 1, the rents will go to Horner.

The board previously made a review of the auction sale of the property held here June 1, at which time Horner was the high bidder with a bid of \$14,000. The board unanimously rejected the bid.

The compromise was then reached and on motion of Commissioner Phillip M. Spruill, seconded by Commissioner J. C. Knowles, the board voted to sell the property to Horner.

Horner did not divulge his plans for the property.

All members of the board were present for the meeting, held in the courthouse, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Hospital Project To Provide Room Renovation Here

Several Civic and Religious Groups, Merchants To Take Responsibility For Improving Interior

A project to provide improvements to the interior of Washington County Hospital here has been launched successfully and work of painting and decorating rooms is expected to begin soon, according to Administrator R. M. Byrd.

Mr. Byrd said enough merchants, civic and religious groups already have pledged their cooperation to insure painting and otherwise improving the eight rooms for white patients at the institution.

The plan is to have a certain group or organization take one room at the hospital as its responsibility. The rooms will be painted and this should last for a number of years. Some are planning to put up drapes and otherwise to decorate and improve the rooms, it was said. Then, from year to year, such things as are needed—pictures for the walls, waste baskets, etc., may be added.

It is hoped to get groups to take responsibility for improving the four rooms for colored patients, the nursery and other rooms, as well.

The following groups and merchants were listed by Mr. Byrd as having agreed to take a room each: Mattie Macon Circle, Ludford Memorial Baptist Church; Caddie Lucas Circle, Ludford Memorial Baptist Church; St. Mary's Guild, Grace Episcopal Church; Home Demonstration Clubs of Washington County; Manning Motor Company; House Chevrolet Company; Norman Furniture Co.; Kelly-Hall, Sinclair Marketers; and Woolsey Paint Company.

Appropriate plaques will be put on the room doors to acknowledge the cooperation and support of these groups, the hospital administrator stated.

Two Local Churches To Complete Bible Schools

This week two local churches will complete vacation Bible schools which they sponsor annually.

Commencement exercises for the school at Ludford Memorial Baptist Church are slated Friday night, while the school sponsored at the Plymouth Methodist Church culminates in a family picnic on the church grounds Saturday at noon and in a sharing service on Sunday night at the church.

The Rev. P. B. Nickens, pastor of the church, is serving as principal of the Baptist school, while at the Methodist school Mrs. Frances Sessions is director.

PULP COMPANY STORE-ROOM EMPLOYEES SET SAFETY RECORD



Employees of the store room at the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company here have worked since August 9, 1945, without a lost-time accident. During this time, nearly 10 years, they have worked 254,005 manhours. This is an excellent record, and employees of the department made it by keeping "safety" in their minds at all times. Those in the photo above are: G. A. Chesson, store room supervisor; Roscoe G. Gaylord, clearance clerk; Harold R. Phelps, receiving clerk; Jack Frank, distribution clerk; Ed Jackson, window clerk; Merrit D. Browning, distribution clerk; T. T. Gardner, window clerk; Cecil Spruill, Melton Spruill and Robert Hunter, laborers.