

HE ROANOKE BEACON AND WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS

Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thursday, July 7, 1955

Tobacco Allotments To Be

Voted on in Grower Refe-

rendum July 23

A home newspaper dedicated to the service of Washington County and its 13,000 people.

Among those from this county **VOLUME LXVI—NUMBER 27**

who attended the beef cattle field day at the Frying Pan Experimental range in Tyrrell County Tuesday of this week were County Agent W. H. (Bill) Pruden, Willis Bowen, county FHA supervisor, both of Plymouth; Bill Thompson, Mrs. Pat Tucker, Mitchiner Banks and J. L. Rea, sr., all of Roper. The program, starting at 1 p. m., was reported by those who were present to have been quite interesting and informative.

Dr. A. L. Whitehurst is making plans to attend the meeting of the Eastern District, North Carolina Chiropractic Association to be held in the offices of Dr. Gray Eagles at Rocky Mount Sunday, July 17. Whitehurst explained that it will be a special meeting for the purpose of reorganizing the district which, he said, will be split into two districts. The new districts will divide northeastern and southeast ern counties, it was said.

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A group of happy county 4-H Club campers, accompanied by their supervisors, Bill Pruden and Mrs. Frances M. Darden, returned home Saturday noon from Roanoke Island 4-H Camp following a week described by Pruden as "one of the most successful camps I've ever been on." Two 4-H'ers in the party brought back major certificates. Henry Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Turner, of Plymouth, was declared "Most cooperative swimmer-advanced" while Emily Mizelle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Mizelle, of Roper, got her certificate for "most outstanding improvement in swimming - advanced." Group awards in swimming also went to Charles Thompson, Sandy Williams and Tom Pruden, all of the Plymouth club. Instructors in swimming were Bobby Smith and Frank Farrell, lifeguards at the camp. Pruden said 90 per cent of those unable to swim on going to camp could swim a reasonable distance following the completion of the course of instruction.

County Persons at Tyrrell Field Day Held This Week

Roper, Plymouth Sections **Cattle Program**

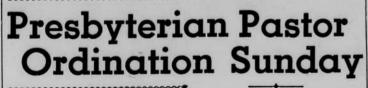
A crowd of about 100 persons from several eastern counties, in cluding several persons from Plymouth and Roper, attended the beef cattle field day conducted at the Frying Pan Experimental Range in Tyrrell County Tuesday afternoon of this week.

Farmers from throughout the Tidewater area of the state were invited to be present for the pro gram which highlighted recent beef

production discoveries in the area,

ORDINATION SERVICE SET SUNDAY AT CHURCH

The handsome brick church recently completed by Plymouth Presbyterians will be the scene Sunday afternoon of the ordination and installation of the church's new pastor, the Rev. Robert L. Combs. The church is on the north side of East Main Street. It was used for services for the first time Sunday, June 19. Mr. Combs, married and the father of two young children, is a recent graduate of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va. The family recently moved to Plymouth and the Combs are at home in Winesett Circle.



Lost Your Keys? See Police Chief Chief of Police P. W. Brown said yesterday that he had about ommission from Albemarle Pres-

15 bunches of keys at the police bytery of the Presbyterian Church station, picked up and turned in by various finders during the past few years. There are big bunches, little bunches, single will ordain and install Robert L byterian Church. keys, house keys, car keys and

practically every other kind of the Presbytery includes the Rev. key in existence. Any person who has lost keys is invited to come to the police station and see if his is in the Yorke Phase, pastor of the Riverlot there. The chief is anxious to Church, Washington; and Marvin thus mean a loss of 161.7 acres. get rid of them, but hesitates to throw them away as they may be of value to the owners.

Represented in Crowd of About 100 Persons at Beef Oliver Lucas New Member for FHA County Committee liver the sermon and charge the pastor, while Mr. Weaver, who is

clerk of the session of the church here, will charge the congregation. Young Plymouth Farmer Is Time of the service has been set

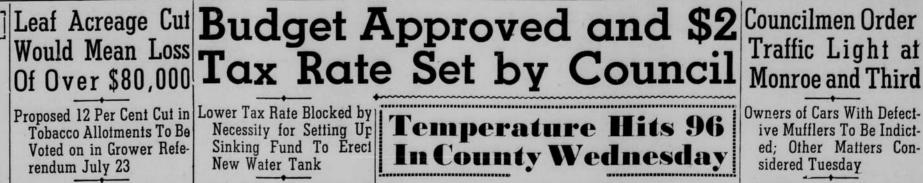
Named To Succeed Elvin and announced by officials as 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Expires on 3-Man Board A reception is planned immedi-ately following the service for the

Oliver Lucas, of Plymouth, is the new member of the Washington County Committee for the Farmers Home Administration structure, a handsome brick editice which was used for the first time a few Sundays ago. The building is located on East Main Street. Prior to its erection the congregation had court here Tuesday of next week. ducing estimated true from \$1,500 to \$1,000. White was chased down and arto its effection the congregation had used first the American Legion Hall and later the auditorium of the county agriculture building for its weekly meetings. The Plymouth Presbyterian con-gregation was organized Sunday Mr. Lucas succeeds Elvin T. Adams whose term on the 3-mem-Dr. J. W. Pou, head, department ber committee expired this year. Mr. Lucas operates a farm in Plymouth Township. He raises toand county activities. For some months prior to that Bruce Bateman, jr., discovered that committee are Robert W. Lewis, of time a group here had been hold- someone was hanging around outtor, all of State College; Lowell Roper, and D. Lanston Hopkins, of ing services with the assistance of side the Bateman residence on the student ministers from Union The- corner of Main and Madison are successful farmers and very ological Seminary, Richmond, Va. Streets. Young Bateman fired Officers originally installed were J. J. Gilbert, elder, and J. L. Rea ly shifting instantaneously to high There is a Farmers Home Admin-

edifice.

"The unit now completed will

church.



Town of Plymouth taxpayers will The proposed reduction of 12 per cent in next year's tobacco per cent in next year's tobacco continue to pay town takes at the to the highest mark of the summer the mercury reach rate of \$2 per \$100 of property in this county, according to figures valuation for the fiscal year 1955 released by the weather station at 56, exactly the same as for the past "Tide Water Test Farm." July 1, high of posed action and the setting of a several years. This was decided by referendum in which growers will members of the city council at their July meeting Tuesday night, when temperatures were recorded in the of 68, mean of 83; 4, high of 93 Monday to Tuesday night on acexpress their wishes in the matter. It was clearly indicated by "street talk" that there will be mous vote after lengthy considera- 96 Wednesday of this week.

farmers who will object to the acreage cut, thinking chiefly of their immediate loss, but over the their immediate loss, but over the long range the marketing quotas are generally seen as the lesser of this is usually a formality, and two evils. town officials do not anticipate any

The Department of Agriculture Friday proposed that 889,000 acres be allotted for the flue-cured crop changes being made in the figures approved Tuesday night. Copies of in 1956 as compared to 1,007,100 the budget were forwarded to the commission yesterday, and appro acres this year. At the same time the Depart- al is expected within a week.

The new budget, prepared by ment of Agriculture set a referendum for July 23 when the grow- committee composed of Council Special Service Set for 3:30 Service for the 1056 council and 105 and 1058 crops (2) mar-listed and 105 and 1058 crops (2) mar-listed and 1056 for 3:30 Service Set for 3:30 Service for the 1056 crops (2) mar-listed and 1058 crops (2) mar-listed O'Clock in New Structure |y or (3) against quotas. 910.45 for the past year. Principal item of increase is setting up \$13,-

penalties will be collected for any Plymouth Presbyterians are tobacco sold from excess quota

tion meeting in Virginia Beach last fund.

contract-letting will closely follow trative department calls for \$17,- the bid deadline. Bids have been 911, against \$14,886 last year. Most called for submission not later than

of the \$3,000 increase is spread Monday of next week. Plans for the structure, to b Washington County is listed at 1,- over a number of items in the demont Presbyterian Church, Kin-ston; the Rev. Vernon B. McGhee, leased by the county ASC office. getting the largest, up \$1,350 from Third and Adams Streets donated leased by the county ASC office. getting the largest, up \$1,350 from Third and Adams Streets donated for the purpose by Mr. and Mrs. pastor of the Wanoca Presbyterian The propsed 12 per cent cut would last year.

Street department estimates are up from \$37,907 to \$42,261, an in-crease of \$4,354. Principal item of The Rev. Mr. Phatr is dividual the income loss to growers of this what will have to be bought dur-of the commission and will preside and propound the questions to Mr. Combs and the congregation of the

res are up from \$16,385 to \$20,-495, an increase of \$4,110. Most of the increase is caused by addition of another man to the police de-partment. The miscellaneous ac-count was raised from \$2,000 to \$3,-500, principally because this budget

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Monday Night Following Complaints Charlie White, jr., 18-year-old Charlie White, jr., 18-year-

Yesterday the mercury climbed ted for each day and last Saturday continue to pay town taxes at the to the highest mark of the summer the mercury reached 92. High, low and mean readings for 1955-56 fiscal year, Plymouth city Tide Water Test Farm. After a maximum reading of 88 mean of 81; 2, high of 92, low of 60, meeting Tuesday night. The regu-

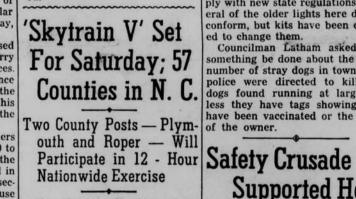
the tentative budget estimate and 90's for five successive days, build- low of 67, mean of 82; 5, high of count of the Fourth of July holitax rate were aproved by unani- ing up to a hot and rather "sticky" 93, low of 70, mean of 83; 6, high day. Mayor A. J. Riddle presided Sunday was almost as hot, the m.) 90.

Contract for Library To Be Let Next Week

Bids Called for Submission **Gas Boat Burns** Not Later Than Next Monday; Construction To Be-**At Beach Resort** gin Soon, Leavitt Says

It is expected that work on the A 1948 Ford gas boat owned by Jack L. Horner, of Plymouth, caught fire and burned to the water line at 11:30 a.m. Sunday at Albemarle Beach before the blaze was extinguished by members of the Roper Fire Departwith a Beacon reporter that the ment.

> Barbara Johnson, young daugh-ter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson, of Plymouth, who was in the boat alone at the time, jumped out and swam ashore to safety, Mr. Horner said. There was no explosion. Origin of the blaze is undetermined, the owner added.



ESTABLISHED 1889

Owners of Cars With Defective Mufflers To Be Indicted; Other Matters Considered Tuesday

In addition to approving the tentative budget and tax rate for the councilmen gave several other matof 96, low of 71, mean)as of 4 p. and all members of the council were present as follows: E. D. Keel day, third ward.

Councilman Hunter brought up the matter of automobile mufflers here. He said a good many cars were being operated with "busted" nufflers and others with what is enerally known as "gutted" muflers. Local police were instructed to enforce state laws governing these nuisances, and Chief of Police Brown yesterday issued a warning to local car owners to have their mufflers fixed or face prosecution.

R. E. Bowen, representing directors of the Plymouth Country Club, appeared before the council and requested a review of the charges made against the club for installation of a sewer line. Following the discussion the council voted to reduce the charge to cover the actual cost of work done on the club property, amounting to \$220, which

was about half of the original bill. By unanimous vote, the council lirected that a traffic light be installed at the intersection of Monroe and West Third Streets. It was also stated that all traffic lights in town are to be altered so that the red light is at the top and the green light at the bottom, to comply with new state regulations. Several of the older lights here do not conform, but kits have been ordered to change them

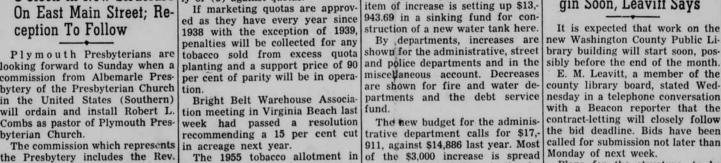
Councilman Latham asked that something be done about the large number of stray dogs in town. City police were directed to kill any dogs found running at large unless they have tags showing they have been vaccinated or the name

Supported Here

since it was a chain-call operation

she had no way of knowing just

the interest of greater highway



Visitors were welcomed by H. H. Home Administration His appoint-Harris, county agent in Tyrrell, ment became effective July 1, 1955, who also reviewed for his audience the agency's county supervisor, the development of the cattle in-Willis Bowen announced. dustry in the Tidewater area of the state.

of animal industry; Dr. E. R. Bar-rick, head, animal husbandry section; Dr. E. U. Dillard, assistant bacco, peanuts, corn and hogs. He professor of animal husbandry; S. is also very active in community H. Dobson, extension agronomy specialist; Dr. H. A. Stewart, as- The other two members of the sistant agricultural research direc-

Halls, of the Forest Service; and Rt. 2, Plymouth, Both of these men J. L. Rea, in charge of the Tidewater Test Farm, Plymouth, pre- active in community and county sented the program. activities.

The presentations dealt with grazing cane range and its relation istration county committee in every to forage and timber production agricultural county in the country. and fire protection; use of cane The committee determines the elirange in connection with farm catgibility of applicants and helps the premanent pasture for cattle; and agency's loan policies and services permanent pasture and beef production in eastern North Carolina See NEW MEMBER, Page 12

, Holiday Observance Reported Quiet Here

The long week-end occasioned, other recreation-seekers went back by National Independence Day is to the daily grind.

Reports from the county sherhistory and hard-working fun-lovers are now eagerly looking forward iff's office and from other law enforcement agencies in town and to Labor Day.

Plymouth and Washington County enjoyed a quiet holiday period with no violence or fatalities revears. ported, but it was a bang-up, blist-A number of Plymouth and counering, red-hot Fourth from a wea- ty persons attended the big cele-

bation at Belhaven, while scores of ther standpoint. The only fireworks of any genpools or visited beaches here and educational building. Facing the eral proportions in the county came late Monday in the form of light- there, seeking relief from the op- present building (chapel) there ning. Although the distant roll of pressive heat and humidity which will be a unit built to the left, and thunder-like so many giant drums has prevailed in the section for a large sanctuary connecting this, -was heard, the threatened storm some time now.

The only accident reported was failed to materialize and the raindrops were almost few enough to the burning of a gas boat at Albe- stated. be counted except in the end of marle Beach Sunday at 11:30 a.m.

the county opposite Plymouth, where a light rain was reported. Barbara Johnson, of Plymouth, sole occupant of the boat, jumped ver is clerk of the session which in-Sun-reddened epidermis was in to safety and swam ashore. The cludes pastor and elders. It was exevidence on all sides Tuesday as boat, the property of J. L. Horner, plained that the Presbyterian of Plymouth, was reported a total mers, sun-bathers, joy-riders and loss.

and J. A. Murray, deacons. Dr. Harold J. Dudley, of Raleigh, gen-eral secretary of the North Caro-from A. O. McIver was received lina Synod, preached the sermon, at the police station, McIver retle enterprise as a supplement to county supervisor adapt the and the installing commission was porting that he had seen someone made up of Dr. J. W. Hassell, exemade up of Dr. J. W. Hassell, exe-cutive secretary of the Albemarle breakware breakware between the and the above the secretary of the above the secretary breakware between the secretary br cutive secretary of the Albeinarie Presbytery, chairman; the Rev. L. W. Topping, minister of the First Church, Greenville; the Rev. E. L. Willingham, of Greenville; Elder F. L. Fussell, of Williamston ; and F. U. Harway, in of Greenville

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Local Negro Boy

To Face Peeping

The commission which represents in acreage next year.

in the United States (Southern)

Combs and the congregation of the

The Rev. Mr. McGhee will de

liver the sermon and charge the

F. L. Fussell, of Withamston and E. W. Harvey, jr., of Greenville. Work was started shortly before organization of the congregation on a handsome brick structure to contain several classrooms, a vesti- front door into the house. When bule and main auditorium. It was the officer approached the Negro plan in constructing the church ed and taken into custody by Officer Swain, Walton Swain using his

Very little work remains to be county indicated the quietest ob- done to complete the interior and, corner the youth. car and McIver also helping to servance of "Marse Fofer July" in of course, the grounds must be Magistrate C. M. Beasley said so

landscaped. The building will be far as he knew the offense was dedicated after all details have the first charged to White who, been completed, it was said. he said, had been drinking.

others took cooling dips in local ultimately be used as a chapel and Convention Will Meet Sunday at Philippi

> The Washington-Tyrrell County Sunday School convention will thus eventually forming a "U" plan facing Main Street," the pastor meet with the Philippi Church of meet with the Philippi Church of Christ near Creswell Sunday at 3

p. m., it is announced. Present officers include Messrs. Howard Holloman, of Norfolk, Va., will be the guest speaker. J. E. Nooney, of Plymouth, pres ident of the convention, this week issued an invitation for all to at-tend. See ORDINATION, Page 7

The library will front on Third

current year. Most of the saving will hold a regular meeting Thurs- will begin at 9:30 p. m., to be fol- highway accidents. In turn, each erans club here, it is announced.

A full attendance of the post the general public are cordially inmembership is urged by Walter

See ALERT, Page 7 Swain, post commander. NEW OFFICERS OF PLYMOUTH SENIOR WOMAN'S CLUB INSTALLED

lowed by a dance with music to be person called was asked to make furinshed by the Filter Center four calls using the same arrange-Time of the meeting is 8 o'clock. Combo. All volunteers as well as ment.

Although national figures showed the greatest number of highway deaths in history for the period, no such wrecks were reported in the county.

Two County Boards Will Hold Meetings Monday

Regular monthly sessions of the county education board and the county board of commissioners are slated here Monday of next week, the meetings of the two bodies having been postponed because of the Independence Day holiday Monday of this week.

The Plymouth Town Council's regular monthly meeting, customarily held the first Monday night, was held Tuesday night of this week instead.

Moderate Receipts Peppers And Tomatoes Local Market

Receipts of peppers and gree packing tomatoes were moderate on the Plymouth Produce Auction Market this week. Prices were reported weak on other markets and no sales were held here.

A carload of peppers and toma-toes handled by the market was being loaded late Wednesday at the Norfolk & Southern depot for shipment to northern markets.

Summer Show

Isachen weather station on Ellef Ringnes Island in the Canadian Arctic gets more snow in summer than in winter.

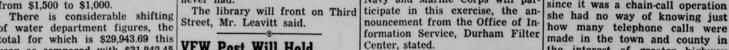
New officers to serve for the 1955-56 club year were recently installed at a regular meeting of Plymouth Senior Woman's Club with Mrs. Harry Lee Smith, of Windsor, the installing officer. Mrs. Smith, wife of former Bertie County Sheriff Harry Smith, is president of the 15th District, North Carolina Federation of Woman's Clubs. Shown left to right are Mrs. Edna Howell, treasurer; Mrs. Flor-ence Spruill, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Harry Browning, recording secretary; Mrs. W. H. (Bill) Joy-ner, second vice president; Mrs. Anna Smith, first-vice president; and Mrs. Charlie Roberson, president.

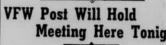
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count of \$13,943.69 for the proposed new water tank. The debt service fund is more or less a fixed account, calling for

See BUDGET, Page 7

ticipate in this exercise, the an-





After the exercise is completed safety over the holiday week-end.