

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buchanan and Mrs. Leslie Manning, of Plymouth, attended the funeral in Rocky Mount Tuesday afternoon of this week for William Joseph Tugwell, father of Mrs. J. L. Ezzell of Plymouth.

Miss Maxine Baynor and Mrs. Ada Virginia Cahoon were in Durham Tuesday and Wednesday of last week where they attended the State Federation of Woman's Clubs convention. They were official delegates from Plymouth Junior Woman's Club.

Miss Gish, state field librarian, made an official visit to Plymouth Friday and was so pleased with the plan of the new Washington County Library that she asked the chairman to try to get a blueprint of the building for the State Library Commission to keep on its files to be sent to other towns requesting plans for small libraries. She also asked the chairman to write for the commission the plan the board used in securing funds from the county for erecting the building and also the plan the board used in securing donations for completing the interior of the building and for purchasing furniture, shelving, etc.

Soil Conservationist Henry J. Bragg was in Greenville Tuesday of this week submitting reports and making plans for the regular quarterly meeting of the Pamlico District supervisors to be held in this county next week. Mr. Bragg said no definite site for the meeting in the county has been decided upon as yet.

Ralph Luke, who made the trip to New York City last week-end along with 48 other Plymouth High School seniors and a few members of the faculty, brought back a special souvenir of which he is quite proud. Ralph was at Ebbets Field in Brooklyn on Saturday afternoon to see the baseball game between the Dodgers and the Pittsburgh Pirates. During the game he caught a foul off the bat of Duke Snider, Dodger centerfielder. According to reports, that was just about the prize of the trip.

Tobacco Meeting Held Yesterday On Riddle Farm

Results of Demonstrations in Weed and Nematode Control and in Blue Mold Control Said Good

A number of persons attended a tobacco field meeting on the A. J. Riddle farm near here Wednesday afternoon of this week, County Agent W. H. Pruden reports. Among those in attendance was S. N. Hawks, Jr., flue-cured tobacco specialist with N. C. State College. Mr. Hawks explained the various treatments on demonstration tobacco plant beds and discussed some abnormalities showing up on beds this season.

Demonstrations on nematode and weed control using both methyl bromide gas and the new bedrench treatment were observed as well as demonstrations in blue mold control using Dithane, Maneb and Fermate.

Bedrench gave good weed control, Pruden said, and plants so treated were larger than those treated with methyl-bromide. However, these larger plants were at the lower end of the bed and received more moisture.

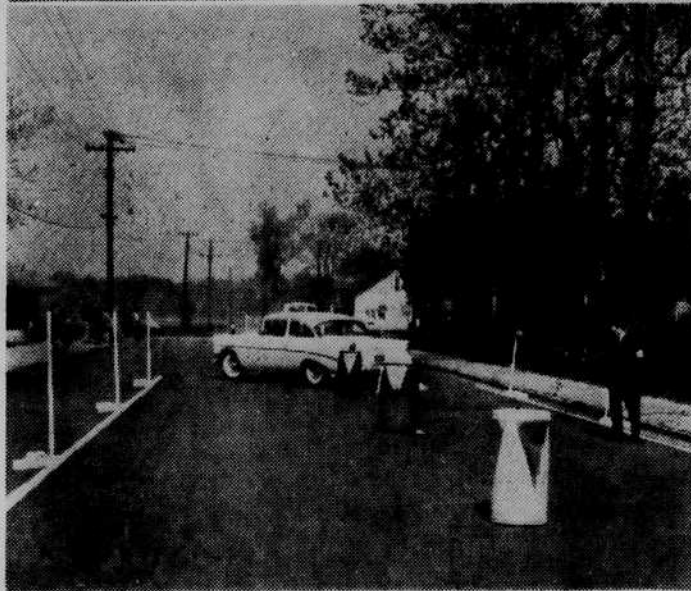
It was found that bedrench did not give as good weed control as the gas treatment in that the bedrench-treated bed had to be picked once.

In the blue mold control demonstration, 33 square yards of bed were sprayed with Maneb twice a week since March 23 and after every rain, and a like amount was sprayed the same way with Dithane. Another like area was left untreated as a check. In the latter was severe blue mold and part of the plants were killed. The treated spots gave complete blue mold control, it was said.

The tenant on the farm used Fermate as a dust on the remainder of the beds, the county agent said, and got "pretty good control" even though his treatments were erratic, due to high winds. Where no weed treatment was used the plant bed had to be abandoned because of weeds, it being impractical to pick the beds due to the cost.



ROADEO: Pictured above the junior chamber of commerce officials and the 28 finalists out of 77 teen-agers from Creswell, Roper and Plymouth who entered the Jaycee-sponsored Teen-Age Roadco concluded here Wednesday afternoon of last week. The 28 finalists made the highest grades on a written test and took the driving test over a standard course set up on East Water and Madison Streets Wednesday afternoon. Portions of the course are shown in the two photos at left. In the upper a car is weaving in and out between the barrels, each contestant being required to go through this both forward and backward. In the lower picture a car is negotiating a sharp S curve between pennants mounted on standards, and it must then be brought to a stop at the line in the foreground with the bumper barely over the mark. To strike a standard or miss the stop mark subtracts points from the contestant's record. There were several other difficult tests over the course requiring good coordination and a keen sense of timing.—Staff photo.



Suspended Terms For White Youths In Break-in Case

Beaufort County Men Ordered To Pay \$50 Each to Seaton Davenport; Taylor Woman Found Guilty

Three young Beaufort County white men, found guilty in superior court here this week of breaking and entering and larceny, were given suspended sentences by Judge George M. Fountain, of Tarboro, on condition that they pay costs of court and \$50 each to Seaton Davenport, Lake Phelps store-keeper.

Charles Foreman and Ralph Jarvis were sentenced to from three to five years in State Prison, suspended, and Linwood Keech received a suspended sentence of 18 months. Davenport's place was entered Sunday, April 15, entry being gained through a side window. A cash register containing between \$35 and \$40 was taken and a juke box was broken open and rifled of about \$6, it was reported. The men were later apprehended at Belhaven by Sheriff J. K. Reid of this county, Beaufort and SBI officers.

Alphonzo Cradle, Plymouth Negro, was acquitted by the jury of a charge of assault with intent to commit rape. The jury found Cradle not guilty of assault or of assault with intent to commit rape. The prosecuting witness was a 15-year-old Plymouth colored girl, Virgie Lee Moore. The case attracted

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Funeral Services For T. E. Ainsley

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon for Tom E. Ainsley, 79.

Mr. Ainsley, a retired farmer and merchant who moved to Plymouth from Mackeys 10 years ago, died at 6 a. m. Saturday at his home at 104 Fourth Street following an illness of two weeks. He had been in declining health for three years.

Mr. Ainsley was the son of the late Joseph and Matilda Knight Ainsley of this county where he was born February 25, 1877. He was married on May 17, 1900, at Roper to Miss Bessie Norman of that place. He was a member of Pleasant Grove Methodist Church, near Roper.

He leaves his widow; three daughters, Mrs. Cherry Corey, of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. Louise Coburn and Mrs. Estelle Daniels, both of Plymouth; three sons, Q. D. Ainsley, of Norfolk, Clarence Ainsley, of Plymouth, and T. W. Ainsley, of Portsmouth, Va.; a sister, Mrs. A. N. Wentz, of Roper; and 10 grandchildren.

Last rites were conducted at Horner's Funeral Home chapel, with the Rev. C. N. Barnette, minister of First Christian Church, the Rev. Paul B. Nickens, minister of Ludford Memorial Baptist Church, and the Rev. E. M. Spruill, rector of Grace Episcopal Church, officiating. Interment was in Windley Cemetery here.

4-H Club Sunday To Be Observed

Sunday will be observed as 4-H Club Sunday, Mrs. Frances M. Darden, one of the county supervisors of 4-H Club work, announced today.

4-H Club members will attend morning worship services at First Christian Church here in a body, Mrs. Darden said, and all members are urged to attend.

One-Car Accident At Sound Bridge Claims Two Lives

Two Young Marines From Edenton Base Become First 1956 County Rural Highway Fatalities

The first rural highway fatalities of 1956 in this county went into the books at 1 a. m. Friday when two Marine sergeants from Edenton met instant death in a bridge mishap.

The dead men were listed as William W. Lajoie, 20, and Lawrence Richard McLares, 21. The accident, involving just one vehicle, was investigated by State Highway Patrolman Carl Gilchrist of Plymouth.

According to the report, the two marines were headed north in an Austin-Healy car owned by McLares and driven by Lajoie. The machine struck the left-side abutment of Albemarle Sound Bridge at the south end and was listed as a total loss.

Lajoie was pinned in the wreckage, Gilchrist stated, and it required some time to extricate the body. The patrolman stated that the physical damage indicated that at the time of impact the car was traveling at a high rate of speed.

Announce Winners In Essay Contest

Mrs. Charles Walker, of Cool Spring Home Demonstration Club, won first prize for Washington County in the essay contest sponsored by the State Savings Bonds office, Mrs. Frances M. Darden, home agent, announced today.

The contest was open to club women of the county and the subject was, "Twelve Reasons Why I Should Buy U. S. Savings Bonds." Mrs. Fred Smith of the Creswell club won second prize. Three Plymouth persons served as judges for the contest.

The winning essay has been submitted to Miss Ruth Current, of the State College Extension Service, for judging along with entries from the other 15 counties of this district. All winning essays become the property of the sponsoring agency, it was said.

Recognition of the winners will be made Wednesday night, June 6, during State Farm and Home Week at Raleigh, Mrs. Darden stated.

Precinct Meets in County Set for Saturday Morning

Transplanting Begun In County Last Week

The first transplanting of tobacco plants for the 1956 season in this county was reported Saturday but the job is not expected to reach full swing until next week, County Agent W. H. Pruden stated yesterday.

The Saturday transplanting was reported by Clyde Chesson on the Milton Basnight farm near Plymouth. Following the Monday night rain several growers were "setting out" Tuesday but Pruden reports that plants are generally small and that blue mold is widespread in beds.

The county agent gave as his opinion that the supply of plants in the county will prove ample for the task but urges that treatment of beds for blue mold control be continued.

"It is very important to continue blue mold control," Pruden declared. "The weather right now is ideal for spread of the disease and we are recommending the use of DDT in the last spray or dust. Plants should be dusted or sprayed the morning before they are pulled in order to control flea beetles after the plants are set in the field."

Chairman Issues Call for Sessions To Start at 11 A.M. at Six Polling Places In County

Democratic Party precinct meetings will be held in the six Washington County precincts Saturday morning of this week, May 5, at 11 a. m. Official call for the meetings was issued Monday by Carl L. Bailey, chairman of the county Democratic executive committee, who urges as large an attendance as possible.

Precinct meetings in this section usually do not receive the attention they should from citizens. The party set-up for county, state and nation originate at the precinct meetings in this state, and the only way the average citizen can have any voice in party councils is by attendance at the precinct meetings.

The county convention will be held on the following Saturday, May 12, with district and state conventions in Raleigh on Thursday, May 17. The county convention will be held in the courthouse here at 11 a. m. on Saturday, May 12.

Precinct meetings this week will be held at the polling places in the six precincts. Delegates to the county convention will be elected at the precinct meetings; and delegates to the district and state conventions are chosen at the county convention.

Principal business at the precinct meetings, in addition to choosing delegates to the county convention, is election of precinct executive committees, chairmen of which automatically become members of the county executive committee. In recent years, instead of electing delegates to the county convention, most of the precincts in this county have simply been designating "all Democrats in good standing" as delegates, allowing all who wish to attend the county convention.

Precinct polling places, where the meetings are to be held Saturday morning, are as follows: Plymouth Precinct No. 1, courthouse; Plymouth No. 2, high school building; Lees Mill, community building at Roper; Skinnerville, Brownie Goodman's store; Scuppernon, tax collector's office in Creswell; and Wenona, residence of H. J. Furbee.

Under the Democratic plan of organization, each precinct elects an executive committee consisting of five active Democrats, at least two of which shall be women. The committee so elected shall choose

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Big Attendance Here At May Day Festival

Three High School Bands, Several Floats in Parade; Other Events of Day Concluded With Ball

The largest Wednesday crowd seen in Plymouth in many a day was attracted yesterday by the May Day parade and annual festival at Plymouth High School.

Bands from Robersonville High School, Edenton High School and Plymouth High School took part in the parade which formed at the high school at 3:30 o'clock and marched down Washington Street to the intersection of Main, turned left on Main and down to Jefferson Street, right on Jefferson to Water Street, left on Water Street to Adams, right on Adams back to Main, right on Main back to Washington, and left on Washington back to the high school.

There were also floats representing the home demonstration clubs, the Garden club, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Junior Woman's Club and Plymouth Band Boosters. May Day Queen Marian Ragland and attendants, Linda Harrell and Grace Skeen rode on the Band Boosters' float.

Boy Scouts also took part in the parade.

Several other events, including queen's coronation, May Pole Dance, Baby Contest, skit by children of Mrs. Chesson's and Mrs. Hardison's classes at Hampton School, concert by Robersonville High School band, field day events, "Open House" at the school, and the Queen's Ball concluded the program.

R. F. Lowry, county superintendent of Schools, crowned Miss Marian Ragland Queen of the May and Jean Tetterton as elementary queen.

Winners in the Baby Contest See FESTIVAL, Page 7

Drainage Meet Slated Friday

A meeting of all persons interested in a certain drainage project in Plymouth Township is scheduled to be held Friday night of this week at the Agriculture Building, it is announced. Time of the meeting will be 8 o'clock.

The Town of Plymouth is cleaning out debris from Peacock Swamp, it is explained, and a petition has been circulated and signed by nearly 50 landowners in the township who are interested in taking up where the Town leaves off to drain the area lying toward the Long Ridge Road.

Arnold Announces He Favors County School Bond Issue

Former County Representative Opposed To Permanent Bridge at Columbia Without Draw

E. O. Arnold of Skinnerville, former county representative who was a last-minute filer as a candidate for representative in the next General Assembly subject to the coming Democratic primary, announced this week his position on schools and other important issues.

Mr. Arnold says he is heartily in favor of the \$500,000 bond issue See ARNOLD, Page 12

Garden Club Sets Flower Show Here Thursday, May 10

Annual Spring Show To Be Held at Episcopal Parish House; Program Is Released

Thursday of next week at the Grace Episcopal Parish House the Plymouth Garden Club will present its annual Spring Flower Show.

The theme of this year's show will be "Flowers on Parade." The hours have been announced as from noon to 9 p. m.

The staging committee is composed of Mrs. M. L. Nobles, Mrs. L. M. Cushing and Miss Ida Davis. There will be no charge for the event but a silver offering will be taken, it was said. The program has been released as follows:

First class—flower arrangements accompanied by band; accessories; composition. Chairman, Mrs. Grace Bruce;

Second class—line arrangements; 3 foliage; 3 flowers and flowers (not to exceed 5 flowers). Chairman, Mrs. S. H. Ward;

Third class—flower arrangements in color, inspired by flags or pennants: North Carolina, Duke, State, Virginia, Confederate and National. Chairman, Mrs. Kathleen Walker;

Fourth class—miniatures (not to exceed 3 inches). Chairman, Mrs. Louise McGowan;

Fifth class—commercial exhibits;

Sixth class—arrangements by invitation; Seventh class—tables for luncheon after parade. Chairman, Mrs. Martha Jeter;

Eighth class—horticultural exhibits (1) specimens displayed in Coca-Cola bottles (2) potted plants. Chairman, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Whitley and Mrs. Davidson;

Name New Registrars; Few Register

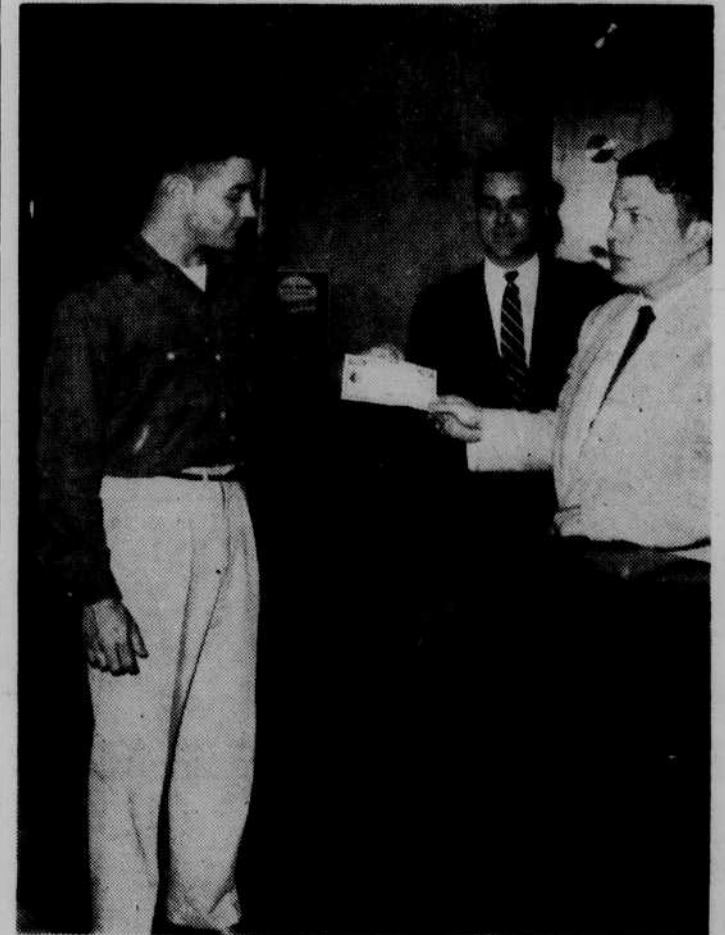
Changes in the registrars for two county voting precincts were announced last week-end by W. T. Freeman, chairman of the Washington County Board of Election. Mrs. James H. Ward was named registrar for Plymouth Precinct No. 1, in place of Don G. Davis, who is unable to serve on account of illness. Delbert Patrick was appointed registrar for Skinnerville precinct instead of Brownie Goodman, who advised the chairman he

would not be able to serve this year.

Comparatively little interest is being shown in the primary this year, judging by the number of new voters registered in the two Plymouth precincts since the books opened last Saturday. Mrs. James H. Ward, registrar for Plymouth No. 1, said yesterday that she had added eight names to her books, two new voters and six transfers. In Plymouth No. 2, Mrs. A. T. Darden reported she had register-

ed nine, four new voters and five transfers.

No reports were available from the other precincts, but it is not believed any great number has been registered. Registration books will be open through Saturday, May 12, with the registrars at their respective polling places on the two Saturdays remaining. On other days, voters may register at the homes or places of business of the several registrars.



WINNER: Howard Jerome Walker (left), son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Walker of Plymouth, receives a \$25 savings bond from Carl L. Bailey, Jr., president of the Plymouth Junior Chamber of Commerce, for winning the Teen-Age Roadco held here Wednesday afternoon of last week. Marvin Weaver, manager of the Planters Bank here, who issued the bond, is in the background. Young Walker will compete in the state finals at Greenville on June 2-3. The winner there will receive \$500 and the right to take part in the national finals for a \$1,500 scholarship.—Staff photo.