

Pfc. Dalton Ray Marslender, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Marslender of Plymouth, is expected home soon to spend a 30-day furlough.

The Rev. and Mrs. Edward M. Spruill and daughter, Florence, will leave Rocky Mount on Thursday of this week by automobile for the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn. Mr. Spruill will be enrolled in a special school for Episcopal clergy on Christian education.

Russell T. Clay, who cut his reportorial teeth as a member of the news staff of The Roanoke Beacon, recently was among three former UNC School of Journalism students who received promotions on the Durham Morning Herald.

The 1951 graduating class of Plymouth High School will hold a reunion banquet at the Veterans Building here Saturday night, July 7, it is announced.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jesse H. Lanning and daughter, Miss Lucinda Lanning, accompanied by Mrs. Louise McGowan, left Monday to attend the North Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, which is being held in Greenville this week.

Short Cruise on Sunday Enjoyed By Crew, Guests Party Aboard Boat Visits Albemarle Beach, Papi-neau Camp Sunday Afternoon

Crew and guests enjoyed a short cruise aboard the Sea Scouts' 24-foot personnel boat Sunday, Skipper Alban Papineau reports. The party left Plymouth at 1 p. m. with Mate George Lyle in charge.

The previous Sunday a cruise was made to Edenton and back, leaving here at 2 p. m. and returning at 5:50 o'clock. Mates Vernon Jeter and Wade Brabbe were in charge, with Mrs. Jeter and son and Kathryn Keel as guests.

At a recent board of review held by James N. Etheridge and James H. Ward of the Ship Committee, three boys were passed for Ordinary rank: Frank Dew, Eric Harrell and Bobby Lovic.

After many delays, the two diesel engines promised by the Navy were shipped by freight from Mare Island Naval Shipyard on June 11, Skipper Papineau reports.

Penalties Soon on State Privilege Licenses, Said

Effective July 1, 1956, penalty will be due on State Privilege Licenses for the tax year June 1, 1956 to May 31, 1957, according to the deputy collector for this area.

Response Slow So Far At Vaccination Clinics

Few have reported for pre-school immunization thus far in this county, it was reported at the local health department yesterday. Free vaccinations against typhoid, smallpox, whooping cough and diphtheria are being given each Tuesday and Thursday afternoon at the health department, between the hours of 1 and 4:30 p. m. and at various places in the county Thursday and Friday of this week.

Will Baptist Church, Long Ridge Road. Friday's schedule: 9 to 9:45 a. m. at Dick Chesson's store, Westover; 10 to 10:30 a. m. at Will Davenport's store, Mackeys; 10:35 to 11 a. m. at T. W. Tarkenton's store, Pleasant Grove; 11:15 a. m. to 12 noon at Roper Community House; 1:30 to 2 p. m. at Johnson Spruill's store, Newland Road; 2:15 to 2:45 p. m. at Nunes Esso Station, Creswell; 3 to 3:30 p. m. at Scuppernon Christian Church; 3:45 to 4:15 p. m. at Brownie Goodman's store at the "Y."

Hays Recommended For Farm Agent Job

Copy Deadline A Day Earlier

Due to the July 4th holiday it will be necessary for all advertising, news and other copy to be in a day earlier than usual. The Beacon office will be closed all day next Wednesday, the fourth.

Church notices and all correspondence, in order to be certain of publication, must be in the Beacon office not later than next Monday. The cooperation of all concerned will be appreciated.

Mrs. E. Pritchett Dies Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Alethia C. Pritchett, 78, of Creswell, will be held from Scuppernon Church of Christ Friday at 4 p. m. by the Rev. Mark Woolard, assisted by George W. Bondurant and the Rev. M. L. Ambrose. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Pritchett, widow of the late Ephraim Pritchett, died at 2 p. m. Wednesday in an Elizabeth City hospital. She was the daughter of the late William H. and Annie E. Basnight Norman and was a native and lifelong resident of the county. She leaves three sons, Harry W. Pritchett, Creswell, Hersey L. Pritchett, Norfolk, Va., and Charles W. Pritchett, Greensboro; four daughters, Mrs. R. F. Holton, Raleigh, Mrs. Paul S. Davenport, Elizabeth City, and Mrs. Alvah W. Alexander, and Mrs. A. A. Spruill, both of Creswell; 19 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

House Installed President Of Plymouth Lions Club

J. W. House, sr., was installed Thursday night as president of the Plymouth Lions Club. The meeting was held at the Episcopal Parish House.

Marvin E. Evans, district governor, of Wilson, served as installing officer. Others installed at the meeting were Dr. A. L. Whitehurst, first vice president; R. D. West, second vice president; H. O. Lovic, third vice president; James H. Linder, secretary-treasurer; Morris Brobst, lion tamer; Walter E. Oakes, tail twister; Dr. E. W. Furgurson and Rev. R. L. Combs, one-year directors, and Jack Strader and Henry J. Bragg, two-year directors.



LION OFFICERS: Officers of the Plymouth Lions Club for the new fiscal year were installed at an impressive candle-light service at the regular club meeting last Thursday night. Pictured above in the front row are Dr. B. W. Cutler, outgoing president of the club; Jack W. House, the new president; and Marvin E. Evans, of Wilson, Governor of Lions District 31-J, who served as installing officer. Others in the photo, left to right, are as follows: M. S. Brobst, Lion tamer; R. L. Combs, director; Henry J. Bragg, director; Dr. E. W. Furgurson, director; James H. Linder (partly obscured), secretary-treasurer; Walter E. Oakes, tail twister; H. O. Lovic, third vice president; and Dr. A. L. Whitehurst, first vice president. Richard D. West, second vice president, and Jack Strader, director, were absent when the photo was made.—Staff photo.

Inter-City Meeting Held in Plymouth By 6 Rotary Clubs

Edmund H. Harding, Washington, Principal Speaker; More Than 100 Rotarians in Attendance

More than 100 Rotarians from six Rotary clubs in this region gathered in Plymouth Tuesday night for the first of what is hoped will develop into a series of inter-city meetings to be held at regular intervals in the future. The meeting was held in the Fellowship Hall of the new Christian Church, and a delicious roast-beef supper was served by ladies of the church. Sizeable delegations were here from the Hertford, Edenton, Engelhard, Williamston and Plymouth clubs. The president of each club was recognized and he introduced members of his delegation. The meeting was instructive and entertaining to all who attended.

Howard T. Walker, president of the Plymouth club, called the meeting to order and presided, as well as making the address of welcome. The program began with the singing of "America" by the assemblage and Roy F. Lowry of the Plymouth club pronounced the invocation. Following the dinner, the Rev. C. N. Barnette sang a solo, accompanied by Miss Beulah Cratch at the piano, and then led in a number of group songs.

P. Bruce Bateman of Plymouth recognized visiting club presidents, who presented their members and other guests. C. A. Hough, the program chairman, turned the proceedings over to Carl L. Bailey, Plymouth attorney, who introduced the principal speaker of the evening, Edmund H. Harding, of Washington.

Mr. Harding, who has an international reputation as an after-dinner speaker, was in rare form and kept the entire group laughing during the course of his humorous and entertaining remarks. He also presented Miss Joyce Tuten, of Washington, who sang three numbers, "The Sunshine of Your Smile," "Ivory Tower," and "It's Almost Tomorrow." The audience thundered its applause for the entertainment provided by Mr. Harding and Miss Tuten at the conclusion of the program, and Mr. Walker presented Mr. Harding a hickory-smoked ham as a token of appreciation.

Youth Injured in Sunday Accident

Young Joe Foster, jr., suffered a puncture wound of the right thigh and a lacerated forehead in a station wagon-bicycle accident in Brinkley Forest Sunday at 11:30 a. m.

The 12-year-old boy was rushed to Washington County Hospital where he remained overnight. He was treated by Dr. T. L. Bray.

The accident was investigated by Policeman Foy Davenport. Davenport reported that the accident was unavoidable. He said a station wagon owned by Marvin Biggs of Plymouth and operated by Rachel Comstock, also of Plymouth, was traveling south in Brinkley Forest and that young Foster on his bicycle ran in front of the vehicle. He was reportedly on his way to Riddle's swimming pool at the time. The station wagon, the report stated, was traveling at a low rate of speed at the time.

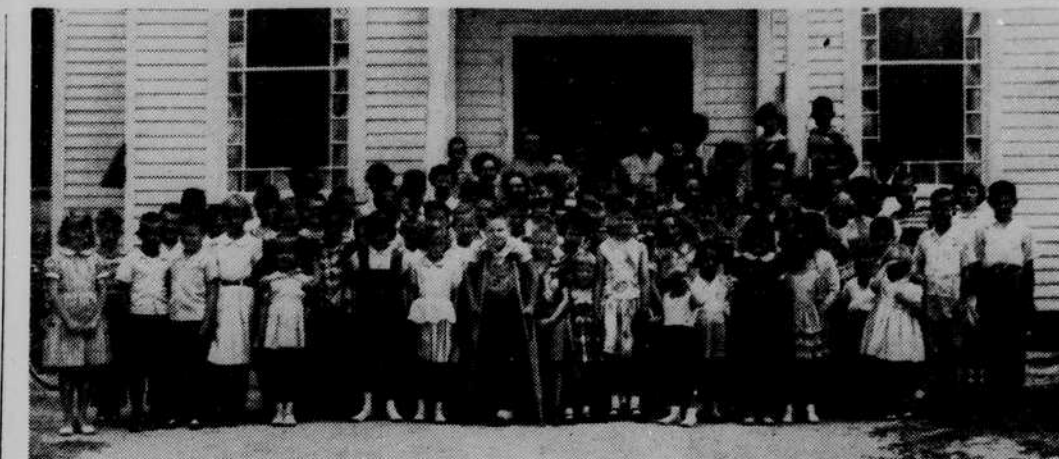
Late Tuesday Dr. Bray reported the youth's condition to be satisfactory.

No Trace Reported of Missing Colored Man

Sheriff J. K. Reid stated late Wednesday that no trace has been found of Fred White, sr., aged colored man reported missing from his home in the Macedonia section for almost three weeks.

White is reported to have been put out at a lane on the Freeman farm by friends taking him home about three weeks ago. He has not been seen or heard from since, according to reports.

Sheriff Reid said he had about concluded that the man must have been carried out of the county by some person or persons.



BIBLE SCHOOL: Shown here are the Daily Vacation Bible School students and faculty members who recently closed their first two-week summer school at Zion's Chapel Church of Christ near Roper.

Mrs. Clayton Modlin was director of the school, Mrs. Russell Chesson was secretary, Mrs. Howard Davenport and Miss Sandra Gardiner, pianists, with 14 others serving as teachers and helpers. The average attendance was 92. Primarily because it was a two-week school, it was pronounced the best in recent years, though space for the number attending was limited. The church is currently engaged in a building program which will release present facilities for classrooms.

21 Out of 46 Local Seniors Planning To Attend College

45 Per Cent of This Year's Graduates Already Accepted by Institutions of Higher Learning

Over 45 per cent of the members of the graduating class at Plymouth High School this year have already been accepted for admittance to various institutions of higher learning, it was learned this week from Principal J. S. Fleming. It is probable that arrangements to attend college will be completed by several others in time to enter school this fall.

Out of a class of 46 graduates, 21 have been accepted for further education starting with the fall term, Mr. Fleming stated. Girls planning to attend institutions of higher learning outnumber the boys by a ratio of 16 to 5.

West Carolina College at Greenville will get more than half of those going to college, 11 having been accepted by that institution. Two each will go to Atlantic Christian College, Wilson; North Carolina State College, Raleigh; and Campbell College at Buies Creek. One each is planning to go to Woman's College, University of North Carolina, Greensboro; Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem; Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Va.; and Wats Hospital School of Nursing, Durham.

The 11 graduates planning to attend East Carolina College include the class salutatorian, Jessie Dare Harrison, and the following other students: Jacque House, Betty Ann Burnham, Carol June Windom, Lynn Magee, Sue Lassiter, Mary Eleanor Sanderson, Kathleen Somerville, George Jackson, Billy Peele and Tommy Ragland.

The class valedictorian, Miss Beulah Cratch, plans to attend Lynchburg College, while other 1956 graduates have entered the following schools: N. C. State College, Harvey Lucas and Mike Estep; Atlantic Christian College, Emily Waters and Alva Rose Hardison; Campbell College, Linda Lipscomb and Helen Manning; Woman's College, Jolene Hollowell; Wake Forest, Lynda Harrell; and Wats Hospital School of Nursing, Laura Jo Quinn.

Packing Company Is Located Here

The Murray Fox Packing Company of Wachula, Fla., and New York, N. Y., began operations Tuesday of this week in the peanut warehouse in front of the old pickle plant. Machinery has been set up for packing cucumbers and peppers. W. T. Freeman, manager of the Plymouth Produce Auction Market, said the concern has the most modern equipment and expert packers.

The company will handle cucumbers and peppers sold on the market here. Sales will be held at the market daily from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. and on Saturday until noon, Freeman announced.

Reminds Salk Shots Are Available, Health Office

Health department officials again this week reminded that anti-polio shots are available at the department on Washington Street. Little response is reported thus far.

Shots will be given Tuesday and Thursday of each week from 1 to 4:30 p. m., Miss Elizabeth Wood, county health nurse, emphasized. Third shots are available for all persons who had their second shots in the series at least seven months ago, it was said.

Goal of Bloodmobile Topped on Visit Here

Total of 169 Pints Is Third Highest in History of Program Here; Respondee

The list of volunteer workers and those who responded during the regular quarterly visit of the bloodmobile to Plymouth Wednesday of last week has been released. A total of 191 persons responded and 169 gave blood. The total was the third highest in the history of the blood bank program here.

Dr. R. Vernon Jeter was on duty as was Mrs. Paul Hardison, nurse. Volunteer clerical and canteen workers were Mrs. Charles Fowler, Mrs. Woodrow Smith, Mrs. A. B. Blackburn, Mrs. Durand Keel, Mrs. W. F. Sessoms, Mrs. Riddick, Mrs. J. S. Fleming, Mrs. J. R. Williams and Mrs. W. R. Collins.

Those who responded were Bonnie Lilley, W. D. Gurkin, Sam Dickerson, J. H. Basnight, Gilbert Nobles, A. W. Cox, Paul Frymier, Leslie Manning, Al Dixon, Herbert Hardison, Mrs. Clarence Alexander, Don A. McCoy, Mervin Beddard, J. P. Turner, C. W. Burnham, T. S. Gardner, Tom West, W. E. Roberts;

H. B. Sawyer, C. M. Modlin, William Staten, Jack Ragland, Laura Jo Quinn, Mrs. Mildred Collins, Dr. R. Vernon Jeter, E. V. Wilkins, C. M. Stokes, Rev. John R. Soloky, T. P. Sanderson, Lloyd Harrison, C. A. Cratch, Mrs. Melba Cox, Mrs. Tiny Brigan, Lyman Elks, Mrs. Frank C. Bickerstaff, F. C. Bickerstaff;

Mrs. Eva Jackson, Robert Lee Blackwell, Harry Gurkin, Ted Austin, Jasper Cooper, Overton Howell, Bradley Norman, Thomas Norman, Sylvester Small, Melvin Jones, Edward F. Swain, Merritt D. Brown, Paul Humphrey, Bonnie Bowen, Mrs. Bill Askew, Mrs. Cora Mae Chesson, Bradie Carmack, W. A. Dixon;

D. J. Hardison, Ervin Hassell, W. E. Lilley, Henry Tooley, Jr., Johnnie Johnson, W. E. Lilley, Mrs. Emmett Blount, Kermit Lyle, Mrs. Lola Bowen, Vivian Allen, B. Blackburn, Mrs. Pauline Blackburn, Genevieve Gorham, Paul Hardison, Mrs. Mildred Modlin, Jesse Armistead;

Clarence Barnes, W. R. Gardner, Mrs. Minnie B. Sawyers, L. L. Sawyers, Robert Ange, Joe Hedgepeth, Mrs. Thelma S. Waters, Mrs. Mary G. Barnhill, W. E. Waters, Ben Ganderson, L. N. Womble, J. R. Swain, W. A. Porter, James H. O'Neal, Dewitt Darden, W. C. Hall, Wendell C. Spruill, Robert Purnell, Maggie Phelps;

Flora Davenport, Lucretia Johnson, Norma White, Mrs. W. H. Pruden, Mrs. W. C. Hall, Bertha Spruill, Odell Sutton, jr., Bill Basnight, W. R. Harden, Billy R. Hardison, Anna Marie Rhodes, Mrs. Billie Elks, Mrs. H. B. Campbell, George B. Peele, L. D. Jones, Thomas C. Burgess, Mrs. Henry Sawyer, Mrs. Hazel Harrison; Tom Brown, John Smallwood, William Downing, J. D. Mallory. See BLOODMOBILE, Page 12

Crop Acreage Check Nearing Completion

The acreage check of all allotment crops in the county is expected to be completed by the end of this week, Mrs. Florence P. Oliver, in charge of performance at the local ASC office, said yesterday.

Mrs. Oliver said the acreage measurement work has shown overplanting among county growers to be light this year. The figures are not all in and so no percentages were available on the various crops—tobacco, peanuts, cotton, corn and wheat, but it was said that the

Gives Hybrid Orchids Here

Dr. R. Vernon Jeter, local bank program chairman, announced today that special thanks are due Mrs. Carl Bridges, of Carolina Orchids, Inc., Southern Pines, who "of her own free will and volition" gave 65 hybrid orchids for distribution to blood donors here last week.

Dr. Jeter said the gesture is deeply appreciated by local blood bank leaders and that Mrs. Bridges, in a telephone conversation with the doctor this week, stated that she plans to give orchids here again.

Archie Modlin Is Buried Wednesday

Archie R. Modlin, 56, of Plymouth, died at his home at 9:30 p. m. Monday following an illness of one week and a long period of declining health.

Mr. Modlin was born in Martin County December 26, 1899, son of the late Jeff and Mollie Griffin Modlin. He had lived here for about 32 years. Mr. Modlin was a retired North Carolina Pulp Company machinist.

He was married at Jamesville June 19, 1921, to Miss Kate Martin of that place. A member of the First Christian Church of Plymouth, Mr. Modlin had served as a deacon and elder of the church. Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Jean Modlin McCombs; one son, Hugh Modlin, of Hunter Air Base, Savannah, Ga.; two sisters, Mrs. Dare Sexton of Plymouth and Mrs. Vera Mizelle of Jamesville; two brothers, Clyde Modlin and Edward Warren Modlin, both of Jamesville; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted from First Christian Church at 11 a. m. Wednesday with the Rev. C. N. Barnette, minister of the church, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Paul B. Nickens, minister of Ludford Memorial Baptist Church, and the Rev. Edward M. Spruill, rector of Grace Episcopal Church. Interment followed in Windley Cemetery.

The remains were left at Horner's Funeral Home until one hour prior to the service and carried to the church.

Mercury in Nineties; No Doubt of Summer Season

Summer officially began last Thursday but with the blistering heat which has prevailed in this section no one had to be told. Temperatures have ranged in the mid-nineties with the humidity also oppressively high much of this week.

Details of Soil Bank Explained At Two-Day Meet

Local Agricultural Leaders Among More Than 200 Persons at Roanoke Country Club

Local agricultural leaders were among more than 200 persons who attended a two-day meeting at Roanoke Country Club Thursday and Friday of last week to learn details of the new Soil Bank legislation.

The group was told by Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation officials that "it is your responsibility to administer the law the best way you can, regardless of how you feel."

Zeno Ratcliffe, jr., of Terra Ceia, a member of the State ASC committee, advised the ASC county workers that the Soil Bank "is not a dole, and we should keep this in mind when administering the act."

ASC workers, who will actually carry out the details of the program, were joined at the meeting by county employees of the Agricultural Extension Service, Farmers Home Administration, Soil Conservation Service, Vocational Agricultural Education and Forestry Division of Conservation and Development.

The acreage reserve allows farmers to contract with ASC to remove portion of their acreages of allotted crops from production and receive payments in return. It goes into effect as soon as ASC community committees can determine normal yields for every farm and every allotted crop in their county.

The normal yields will be established within the next few days, it was explained.

Horace Godfrey, administrative officer for ASC, carried the burden of explaining the acreage reserve, regulations of which were changed as recently as last Thursday.

He was joined by Dr. C. B. Ratcliff, assistant director of the Agricultural Extension Service at State College; J. C. Brown, jr., news editor, division of agricultural information at the college, and Dick Dailey, deputy state conservationist in substituting ways in which

Announcement of Market Opening Dates Expected

Bright Belt Warehouse Association Holding Annual Convention This Week at Myrtle Beach

Farmers in this area will be awaiting the announcement, expected Thursday of this week, of opening dates for the tobacco markets.

The Bright Belt Warehouse Association is holding its annual convention at Myrtle Beach, S. C., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week and one of the important actions at the parley will be setting of opening dates of leaf markets for the 1956 selling season.

First, the board will hear recommendations from a 20-member committee representing grower organizations, warehousemen and buying companies. Five newly added seats are filled by agriculture commissioners of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Sales of the 1956 crop will begin in South Carolina on August 2. That date was fixed by the South Carolina Warehouse Association which is not a member of the Bright Belt group.

Fred S. Royster, Henderson warehouseman who is president of the Bright Belt Association, will give his report Thursday.

Other speakers include J. B. Hutson, president of Tobacco Associates, Inc.; Clarence L. Miller, director of the Tobacco Division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture Commodity Stabilization Service; S. E. Wrather, director of the Tobacco Division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture Marketing Service; L. T. Weeks, general manager of the Fine-Cured Tobacco Stabilization Corporation; and F. M. Parkinson, executive director of the National Tobacco Tax Council.

Earl M. Hughes, administrator of the USDA Commodity Stabilization Service, will be the speaker at the Thursday night banquet session. The convention will end with the business session Friday morning.

Market opening dates last year were: Georgia-Florida Belt, July 21; South Carolina, July 28; North Carolina, August 3; Eastern North Carolina, August 25; North Carolina Middle Belt, September 8; Virginia-North Carolina Old Belt, September 22.