

THE ROANOKE BEACON AND WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS

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

Local art classes, taught by Frith Winslow, will open next week. Nights will be Monday and Thursday and the usual time will prevail. The classes are held in the Winslow studios, second floor, corner of West Water Street and Jefferson. Mr. Winslow, steadily gaining stature as a portrait painter, conducts classes for both adults and children, here and in nearby communities. About a month ago he returned from Canada and New England where he spent the month Scotia, among other places.

Miss Mamie Whisnant, Extension Service specialist in home manage-ment, of Raleigh, was in Plymouth Wednesday morning of this week. Miss Whisnant held an office conference with Mrs. Frances M. Dar- the first round. Washington County home agent, concerning matters in home management relating to classes to be held here in October and also in regard to the state fair to be held at Raleigh October 16-20. Miss Whisnant will instruct Washington County club leaders in home management during the month of Oc tober.

Local Board Auditor Treva D. Strowd of Raleigh is spending this week in Plymouth and is working with Mrs. Lorraine Hunter, clerk to the local draft board. The visit is a routine one, the local board auditor serving 24 northeastern counties about twice a year. She arrived here Tuesday and will leave for her next assignment on Friday

S Sgt. and Mrs. Robert S. Leary and little daughter, Donna, will return to Wichita Falls, Texas, Wednesday of next week after spending about four weeks with relatives in the county. While here they visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Spruill in the Pleasant Grove section, as well as their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Leary and Mr. and Mrs. John Gray. Sergeant Leary, who has been in the Air Force for 11 years, is stationed at Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls Texas.

Thursday of this week will be area will begin at sunset Wednes day. The Jewish Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur, will fall on Saturday September 15, nine days after the New Year holiday. Ganderson's Qaulity Shop will be closed to busi-ness all day Thursday of this week,

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Plans Completed For Group Canal Way This Week

closing, Mr. Leder issued the following statement: lans and designs for Mt. Pleas-"Effective May 1, 1946, we enterant Group Canal, a drainage project ed into a 10-year lease contract for which will take care of approxi- the building occupied by our Plymmately 2,600 acres of land-about outh, North Carolina, store. The lease having expired April 30, 1956, sible for the date of the Plymouth half of it under cultivation - in Scuppernong Township, were com- we have been on a temporary basis City Council meeting, moved up for the intervening months while from Monday of this week to Monpleted Wednesday of this week.

The total number of persons vac-| earlier. At Creswell the total Tue cinated against polio in the second day of this week reached 25, a round of free public vaccine clinics work reached 25, a Only 11 Cases Listed for Observers Expect 75 Per of July painting, visiting the famed art colony at Peggys Cove, Nova Scotia, among other place

County Clinics Report

Total 514 Polio Shots

schedule of free public Salk vac-

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Clinics were held Friday at Roper, Tuesday at Creswell and E. W. Furgurson, chairman of the at the health department in Plym- county polio vaccine clinic comouth, with a total of 284 being vac- mittee. However, persons from cinated during the two days. This three months to 19 years of age is in prospect next week. compares with a total of 230 on and all pregnant women may obtain vaccinations against polio at nal term-is slated to open Mon-

Assistant Nash Agent Tele-

d county agent Tuesday of this

week by the county commissioners

telephoned the board clerk, J.

pointment Tueday of This assault.

Plymouth again led with 198, as the health department Thursday of day morning with Judge J. Paul compared with 159 two weeks ago. each week between the hours of 1 Frizzelle of Snow Hill presiding. There were 61 vaccinated at Roper and 4 p. m. or at the family doclast Friday, as against 41 two weeks tor's office, it was emphasized.

County Farm Agent

Week

Trial at September Term Of Superior Court; Frizzelle To Preside

A comparatively light term of Washington County voters, along Washington County Superior Court with others throughout North Carolina, will go to the polls Satur-The court-the September crimiday of this week to vote on four

proposed amendments to state con stitution. W. T. Freeman, chairman of the county board of elections The Calendar, released this said yesterday that interest had week, shows a total of only 11 cases picked up some during the past two for trial. or three weeks, and he looks for

Name Guy Whitford Four cases charging breaking, entering and larceny are listed. Other charges include such as flaa total vote of around 1,500 in the county

Main interest, of course, centers around the special session school rant speeding, driving drunk, robery from the person with force amendment, known as "The Pear sall Plan," which would authorize arms, assault with a deadly expense grants for private educa weapon causing serious bodily harm, assault with a deadly weation and permit local school units

to vote on closing their public pon and discharging firearms within the city limits, allowing stock to schools in the event "intolerable phones Acceptance of Ap- run at large, resisting arrest, and conditions" develop. The other three proposed amendments are receiving scant attention from vot-

The calendar tentatively scheers, so far as can be learned. Obdules all cases for hearing on Monservers generally believe the Pear-Guy Whitford, who was appoint-follows: sall Plan amendment will be carried in this county by 75 to 80 per

the proposal.

Plan

Backed by Governor Luther

tract Little Interest

Walter McCoy, breaking, entercent ing and larceny; Walter Lee Jarvis, breaking, en-Hodges and other state officials

Robert Campbell, that night to tering and larceny; state his acceptance of the job. C. C. Smithwick and Vance Sat-It is expected that Mr. Whitford, terthwaite, allowing stock to run

who is now assistant agent in Nash at large: County, will be able to take over Mary Adams, assault with a deadly weapon and discharging his duties here in about a month John Piland, of Smithfield, eastern firearms within the civt limits. district agent, explained that a re-Hallet Patrick, assault; placement must be found for Whitford first, and that customarily Hallet Patrick, speeding 85 miles

per hour, driving drunk and resistabout 30 days is taken for this. Mr. Whitford informed Mr. ing arrest: Hallet Patrick, driving drunk; Campbell that he expected to re-

Rosh Hashonah, Jewish New Year, and observance among Jews of this area will begin at sunset Wednes, **Close Local Store Local Store** brother is week-end to make arms; Robert Ed Simmons, robbery Darrell Ritchey, James Diez and

The new agent is a native of Cra George Twiddy, breaking, entering ven County and is 30 years old. He and larceny; a separate case attended Farm Life School, Vance charges the same three men with charges the same three men with boro, and graduated from N. C. State College, Raleigh, in 1951. Fola like offense;

James Willie Fagan, assault with a deadly weapon causing seriou. become associated with a Windsor

become associated with a Windsor bank as farm representative, a po-Public Library Steadily Grows

Over That of One Year

Ago Shown



For the first time in memory here a month rolled by without a marriage license being issued to any white couple, a check of August records in the office of the register of deeds shows.

Criminal Term of Voters of County to Ballot Commissioners in Lengthy Meeting:

Here Next Monday On School Plan Saturday

Seven permits to marry were issued, however, all to colored couples. They were listed as: Lowes Moore and Jeanette Mc-Nair, Plymouth; William Henry McCray and Constance Towe, Plymouth; Hilman Rawls and Cornelius Horton, Roper; Ches-

Enroll 987 First Day **At Plymouth Schools**

and Patricia Faye Bowen, Pan-tego, and Jodie Hardison and

Lilly Mae Gardner, Williamston.

One Delinquent

Listed by Board

Selective Service Board No. 95

here this week listed one rgis-

trant as delinquent, he having

The registrant is Henry Wel-

don Norman and his last address,

on file at the board office in the

basement of the county court-house, was Rt. 1, Box 315, Roper,

Mrs. Lorraine Hunter, clerk to the board, said. Anyone knowing

his whereabouts will do the reg-

istrant a favor to get in touch

with him concerning his delin-quency, Mrs. Hunter stated.

Federal Project

Stream Clearance

Washington Among Coastal

Counties To Get Over \$1,-

600,000 in Federal Gov-

Work is expected to begin abou

November 15 on stream clearance

ernment Aid

as ordered on August 28.

Enrollment at Local White Schools Practically Unchanged From Year Ago, **Figures Show**

the Pearsall Plan has been the sub ject of numerous debates in vari A total of 987 students answerous localities during the past two ed opening-day school bells at weeks. Although there is no organ-Plymouth White Schools, 763 ized opposition to the plan, a numthe elementary department and ber of prominent individuals, or-224 in the high school, according to ganizations and newspapers in the state have announced themselves ures for the county system were Principal J. S. Fleming. Total fig-

not available late yesterday. Governor Hodges has made numerous radio and television appear- a loss of just one student from the The Plymouth total represent ances in support of the plan during total enrollment at the end of the the past week. He will be on a third day of the 1955-56 school state-wide television hook-up Fristate-wide television hook-up Fri-day night from 8 to 8:15 and on a state-radio network from 8:30 the elementary department, but state-radio network from 8:30 to 8:45 the same night in support of in the high school. Of course, these figures will probably change som State Senator Edward L. Owens by the end of the first three days of school, it is pointed out. of Plymouth and County Represen-

The school here started off with County Included tative J. M. Phelps have taken the lead in support of the Pearsall a bang and operated on the oper this county. Dr Phelp her ing even egular schedule. Mr. Fleming reported that more than made several talks before civic organizations during the past two weeks in this connection. In a let-ter to the Beacon last Saturday, Dr. Phelps urged county people to sented during the assembly period listen to the governor's radio and television talks Friday night and ing. The Rev. Paul B. Nickens gave with several school patrons attenda talk on the subject, "The Best Years of Your Life," which was well-received. There is is some opposition to

Gain of 357 Volumes in Cir-culation During July 1956 the Pearsall Plan in the county, but no effort has been made to organize in getting out a vote bers of the James E. Jethro post of the American Legion presented of the American Legion presented

See ELECTION, Page 5 in Washington, Tyrrell and 18 the colors and led in the pledge of other eastern counties. Circulation for the Washington County Men Enter allegiance to the flag. The song, Civil Defense Civi Time is running out on farmers Announcement that the Federal Administration has et time and fertilizer turned over \$1,606,000 to the Corps of Engineers District with head-ing of pasture. made to conclude the program. Mr. Fleming described the open-This warning was issued this quarters at Wilmington to do the ing as "normal" and said indicaweek by J. L. Outlaw, assistant job "with the least practicable decounty agent, who states that gettions point to a very successful lay" came this week as good news Indications this week are that 31 calves from this county will be entered in the feeder calf sale at the openings at the other county to county officials, farmers, propting the right amounts of these erty owners and all persons intertwo important items put on land ested in soil and water conserva- prior to or at seeding time is a vital schools but it was said that en-Rocky Mount September 20. rollment was expected to run genstep in insuring high yields of Assistant County Agent Joe Outlaw said yesterday that three coun- erally about the same as a year ago The announcement was made by quality forage for years to come. A table of enrollment figures for Col. H. C. Rowland, jr., district en-Pastures not properly establishembraces libraries in Chowan and Tyrrell Counties. They were listed as A. J. Rid-the various units will be published to the distance of the d ed must be reseeded and this is an expensive operation, Outlaw points next week, showing attendance for Wilmington district office. The announcement stated that out. Reseeding can almost always the first three days of school. clearing of logs and snags left by be prevented by making the origisunday for Convention hurricanes in various streams in al seeding in a well-prepared, pro-burricanes of the coastal area is scheduled to begin "within the Mr. Outlaw urges county farmers **Expect Large Crowd Here** not to neglect these important next three months.' Members of all churches in the items in estblishing pasture. two counties and other interested for bids are expected to go out It was explained that invitations North Carolina farmers, the assistant agent pointed out, have at about September 15 with the open-Nine hundred calves will be sold tend the Washington-Tyrrell Bible ing of bids to follow 30 days later. their disposal the services of one it was said, the sale to be held at School convention to be held Sun-After the opening of bids successful of the best equipped soil testing ing best sellers, are available or Lancaster Stock Yard No. 2, be- day afternoon at Plymouth Church laboratories in the United States. bidders will have 30 days to begin of Christ, it is announced. work, according to usual custom. If soil samples are sent to this lab, A Plymouth man, J. E. Nooney, sale and vaccinated. Heifers will is president of the convention and pected around November 15. lime and fertilizer requirements Thus actual start of work is excan be determined scientifically in will have charge of the meeting keeping with the needs of the soil Other counties to be included are Farmers desiring to secure feed- which is scheduled for 3 p. m. of each individual farm and field. Brunswick, Columbus, New Hanbooks which they want to read and the library will cooperate with sale, Outlaw stated, adding that the will be the featured speaker, Mr. Neal Puckett of Elizabeth City over, Onslow, Pender, Jones, Wil-Farmers of the county are urged the insecuring these books and outlook for prices on cattle in 1957 Nooney stated. Special music will fort, Bladen, Camden, Pamlico, son, Dare, Duplin, Carteret, Beau to take full advantage of the free service, thereby taking a big step is good and prices should go above be presented by all churches repre-Hertford, Martin, Craven and Bertoward the establishment of a high-Patrons of the library here are those of 1956. Also, the corn crop sented at the meeting, it was added. yielding, money-making permanent The meeting is non-denomina-The coming clean-up job stems, pasture. least 16 first-class and nationally fed profitably to fatten calves for tional in nature, the president empopular magazines at the library market under existing conditions, phasized in extending an invita-land stated, from a survey con-Information on soil sampling, mailing boxes and cartons may be tion to all persons who are inter- ducted earlier this year by repreobtained from the county agent's office, ASC, SCS, or vocational See PROJECTS, Page 10 A good-sized crowd is expected. **Moose Report Steady Gain**

Guy Whitford of Nash County Recommended by Piland, Appointed and Gives Acceptance Notice The county commissioners, in ter Goodman, Plymouth, and

ESTABLISHED 1889

Lengthy Meeting;

Hire Farm Agent

regular monthly meeting here Tuesday, settled the matter of a Dorothy Boston, of Jamesville: Mack Bowen and Maggie Spruill, new county farm agent, voted a Plymouth! James Sessoms, Wind-\$100-per-month salary hike for Sheriff J. K. Reid while taking sor, and Eva Mae Barnes, Plymouth; Onward James and Wilsonaway the same amount monthly in travel allowance, conducted a rouia James, Jamesville. Incidentally, two white couples were istine public hearing on the \$500,000 sued licenses Saturday, Septemschool bond order, and acted on ber 1, to insure no such repeat other routine matters. happening this month. These were to Tex Wililams, Plymouth,

The commissioners, with ailing Frank L. Brinkley of Plymouth, back as chairman of the board, agreed to leave selection of a new agent to take the place of W. H. Pruden, resigned, up to Eastern District Agent John Piland of Smithfield. Mr. Piland, who was present for the meeting, recommended Guy Whitford, assistant Nash county agent who is a former assistant Bertie County agent. Piland called Whitford one of the best qualified men in the state available for the post and said he had discussed the possibility with Whitford and that the latter indicated his willingness to accept the job. (Whitford telephoned his acceptance Tuesday night.)

Mr. Whitford is married and the father of two boys, aged 5 and 3. He has been assistant agent in Nash County since 1953.

failed to report for pre-induction Nobody appeared to be heard at the public hearing on the bond order and issuance was approved, subject to the election to be held on November 6.

It was agreed by the commis-sioners that Sheriff Reid will no longer receive the travel allowance amounting to \$100 per month but the amount is to be added to his present salary.

The board approved the tax setlement of the county tax collector for the 1955 tax levy as of June 30, 1956.

Tax collector Spruill reported See COMMISSIONERS, Page 10

Soil Samples of **Much Importance** To Seed Pasture

Find Out Exact Lime, Fertilizer Needs Now, Outlaw Urges Farmers Establishing Pasture

Hook Generator Up at Hospital The emergency generator do-

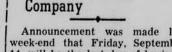
yesterday.

nated by the Plymouth Junior Chamber of Commerce to Washington County Hospital has been hooked up and is now in operating order, Hospital Administrator Warren A. Oliver has announced. Mr. Oliver acknowledges the

kind efforts of many volunteers who helped in the project and wishes to thank all members of the Jaycees and any others who had a hand in obtaining and installing the generator.

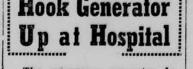


1946; Manager Being As-signed to Another Unit of The following year he resigned to The following year he resigned to



Announcement was made last week-end that Friday, September 14, will be the last day of business

In Scuppernong for the Leder Brothers department Nash County in 1953. tore in Plymouth. W. S. McCombs, manager of the local store, made via Tripp, a pative of the store in Plymouth. He married the former Miss Sylvia Tripp, a native of Washington the announcement after returning who also attended Farm Life Mt. Pleasant Project Said from a trip to the Whiteville head- School at Vanceboro. The Whiteville head- School at Vanceboro. The Whiteville head- barra two hows Neil 5 and Fast - Moving; Expect To Start Work on Right-of In announcing the local store's Church.



The announcement came from seriously considering future course day of next. Henry J. Bragg, local soil conseras to the local unit. vationist. "After much careful considera-

It is planned to start cutting the tion, during which we have diliright-of-way for the canal late this gently sought to weigh all relevant week, it was stated.

The canal starts at Deep Creek, the main run, and heads up at Mt. Pleasant Church on the old Mt. Pleasant Road north of Creswell. according to Ed Craft, soil conservation engineering aide. Plans and designs were completed with the aid of L. D. Hunnings of Greenville who is SCS area engineer.

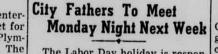
"This job has moved along fast," Mr. Craft declared, explaining that a petition signed by 21 property owners in the section was received the first week in July, request ing SCS assistance on the project. The survey was begun August 27 under supervision of Mr. Bragg and was made by Mr. Craft and Lewis Styons, soil conservation aide. It is hoped, said Bragg, to get some cost-sharing under the Agricultural Conservation program.

Commenting on the excellent cooperation received from the petitioners, Mr. Craft said that the farmers were notified to be on hand for the survey and were told what would be needed to do the

"The entire group was there to do their part and stuck with it until the survey was finished," said Craft. "They were interested in trying to get organized and were en thused over the job."

This fine cooperation, he explained, really expedited the project and is one reason why "the job moved along fast." Those listed on the petition include the following:

L. L. Davenport, J. E. Spencer, Leroy Snell, Edgar Alexander, Solomon Rawls, R. C. Cooper, Arthur Rodgers, J. T. Spruill, L. T. Snell, E. S. Woodley, Donald Cohoon, L. Williams, Roy C. Williams, H. Williams, C. S. Hufton, Alice Rawls, L. M. Davenport, James Rodgers, C. V. Small, Mrs. Jarvis M. Scott and M. V. Cohoon.



The Labor Day holiday is responyear ago.

The meeting, expected to be strictly routine one according to reports, will be held in the municifacts and circumstances, we have and will be need in the municiand will be presided over by Mayor

A. J. Riddle See LEDER BROS. Page 10

BANANAS? Leslie J. Darby, Plymouth pulp mill executive, says if hurricanes will leave them alone, he believes he will get a crop of bananas from the plants show here. He and Mrs, Darby were down at Séa Island, Ga., three years ago and secured a number of small banana plants. He brought them back and set them out next to his home in the country club village here. Several of the plants are now 12 feet tall, despite being shat-tered by last year's storms, and Mr. Darby still has hopes of getting some fruit from them eventually.—Staff photo.

Monday Night Next Week County Public Library showed a county Public Library showed a gain of 357 volumes in July over Feeder Calf Sale circulation for the same month :

> "The library service is expanding," commented Mrs. Eugenia R. Babylon, Pettigrew Regional Li-

brary director. The local library and others in the county are part of the regional library which also

dle, Plymouth, 15 head, Leon Dun-bar, Wenona, and J. L. Rea, Roper, Total circulation at the library nere in July was 1,605, figures released Thursday by Mrs. Babylon eight head each, all white-faced show, while for the corresponding Herefords.

month of 1955 the total was 1,248. Minimum weight requirement The July 1956 figures were 300 pounds and animals must grade broken down to show a total of 623 adult borrowers and 982 juve nile. New borrowers included 12 line.

adult and 22 juvenile. Most of the new books, includcan be secured from either Tyrrell ginning at 1 p. m. County Library or Shepard Pruden Calves will be inspected prior to County Library or Shepard Pruden

Library in Edenton on short notice. Mrs. Babylon stated. People are urged to request

materials, the director assured. also reminded that there are at looks favorable and corn can be

and issues of these magazines may it was said. be used either at the library or by checking out. Listed were: Mademoiselle, Life, Ladies Home Journal, American Home, Coronet, Here; Study Building Sites

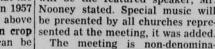
Parents, National Geographic, Wildlife, American Legion Magazine, Popular Science, Children's Digest, Jack & Jill, Arizona High- indicate steady growth. ways, Tar Heel Wheels, Southern School News, Nation's Business.

Education Board Expects Routine Monthly Meeting sideration for the proposed new

The Washington County Board persently holding its meetings at of Education will meet at 10 a.m., the Veterans Building on Washing-Monday of next week in the offices ton Street Extension.

The next regular meeting of the of the county superintendent of schools at the courthouse, it is said. Moose is scheduled for Monday It will be the regular meeting night of next week, beginning at 8 for September, postponed because o'clock, it was said. of Labor Day. A routine session is J. L. Horner is governor of th anticipated, reports said. lodge here.

agriculture teachers.



Polls Open for 12 Hours Saturday Reports from officers of the lo cal Moose lodge, recently organized,

Nine were initiated at a recen Washington County polling places | closd Saturday before last, indicat-| Monday night meeting, with four applications for membership re-

6:30 p. m. Saturday for the special earlier. ported since that time. general election on four proposed Also, several sites are under conconstitutional amendments. This temple here. The organization is

Polling places and election officials in the six county precincts will give voters exactly 12 hours are as follows: in which to cast their ballots.

Plymouth No. 1: Courthouse; Election officials expect about Mrs. James H. Ward, registrar; W. 1,500 votes to be cast. This com-C. Styons and T. C. Culbreth, pares with about 1,000 votes in the judges of election;

last general election in November 1954, and about 2,750 in the 1952 Plymouth No. 2: Plymouth High judges;

presidential general election. Over School; Mrs. Tom Darden, registrar; Clarence Spruill and T. D. 130 new registrations were reported in the county before the books Somerville, judges;

Lees Mill: Community Building, will be open from 6:30 a. m. until ing more interest than was thought Roper; Mrs. T. W. Norman, registrar; Mitchiner Banks and Marvin Spencer, judges;

Skinnersville: Goodman's store; Delbert Patrick, registrar; Mrs. Grady Alexander and Louis Bateman, judges;

Scuppernong: Highway office; John Combs, registrar; Mrs. Virginia Davenport and Louis Spruill,

Wenona: Residence of H. J. Furbee; H. J. Furbee, registrar; T. H. Rosenthal and Carl Heynen, judges.

