

Our Chance Of A Lifetime

In a few days Fieldcresters will share in a momentous community enterprise. We will join with other citizens of the Tri-Cities in a project to raise \$500,000 toward the cost of a beautiful, new, modern 75-bed hospital.

The federal and state governments will allocate \$756,000 for building the hospital, provided the local community has \$500,000 in cash or pledges by October 1, 1957.

This is indeed a bargain for the Tri-Cities. Failure to take advantage of such an opportunity would be shameful, and failure to raise the community's share by the October 1 deadline would cause a serious setback in plans for improved medical care for Tri-City people.

Unless the community raises its share, the public funds now earmarked for our hospital will be allocated to some other North Carolina community which has its funds in hand. That would mean a wait of some years before this splendid opportunity would be available to us again.

The goal for Fieldcrest people is \$150,000. Every person at the mills will be solicited within the next two weeks and asked to pledge a contribution to the hospital building fund. The pledge may be paid in small installments through payroll deductions over a period of eighteen months. The suggested plan of giving is based on the person's annual income. The same scale is being followed at Fieldcrest and in the community-at-large, so as to be fair to all.

Because of the importance of Company payrolls to the Tri-City economy and because such a high proportion of local people are employed at the mills, the support given the campaign by Fieldcresters will be the key factor in raising the necessary \$500,000.

This will be perhaps the most important community improvement program in which we have ever participated. The new hospital, when it becomes a reality, will serve the Tri-Cities for years to come, providing improved medical care for Fieldcrest people and their families.

We have before us the opportunity of a lifetime. It is believed that Fieldcresters will take advantage of it and give the campaign their willing and generous support.

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Unusual Tree Has Memories For Local Men

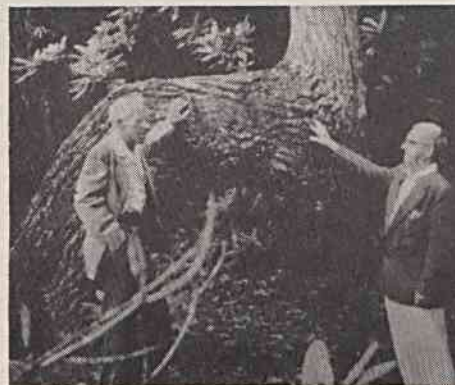
When two young Y.M.C.A. men had their picture taken at an odd-shaped tree in 1912, they had no idea they would return to the spot for another picture 45 years later.

T. P. Shinn, manager of the Y.M.C.A. canteen service and Rev. J. K. McConnell, retired industrial chaplain, both attended the opening of the Y.M.C.A. Assembly at Blue Ridge in 1912. Mr. Shinn at that time was working at the Y.M.C.A. in Kannapolis and Mr. McConnell was still in college.

They noticed the unusual shape of a chestnut oak sapling and had their picture taken beside it. Mr. Shinn kept the picture for many years until it finally was misplaced.

Then in July, 1957, when the two men were attending the Industrial Relations Conference at Blue Ridge, they returned to the tree and were photo-

graphed again at what is now a large tree. The 1957 picture was made in color and the engraving below was made from a copy of the color photo.



T. P. Shinn (left) and the Rev. J. K. McConnell re-visit odd-shaped tree.