

Merry Hill News

By LOUISE B. ADAMS

Mrs. Chet White, Mrs. Claud Evans and Mrs. H. G. Evans, Jr., also Mrs. Claud Small, Jr., of Edenton were in Elizabeth City Wednesday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White and daughter, Carol, Mr. and Mrs. E. Pierce spent from Friday until Sunday in Washington, D. C. Mr. and Mrs. White and Carol visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene White and Mr. and Mrs. Pierce visited Mrs. Pierce's sister and family.

Mrs. Kenneth Spivey and son, Kerry, Mrs. Arthur Davis visited Mr. and Mrs. James Davis in Windsor Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baker and Mrs. H. R. Outlaw were shoppers in Edenton Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. W. T. Davis and daughter, Velma visited friends in Edenton Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Arthur Davis is a patient in Bertie Memorial Hospital, Windsor. Mrs. Davis entered Friday night.

Mrs. Chet White, Mrs. Linwood Busch and Mrs. William White entertained the young folks who took part in Youth Week with a cook-out on the church grounds Friday night.

Mrs. Lillie Evans spent from Wednesday until Sunday with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Small, Jr., in Edenton.

Mrs. Rufus Baker and Mrs. Viola Cowan were in Windsor Friday morning on business and also shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Federal Taylor visited Nags Head Sunday of last week.

Mrs. J. W. Dhite and daughter, Carol, also Margaret Ann and Bonnie Sue Daniels were in Colerain Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Claud Small and girls, Sheila and Karen of Edenton, also Mr. and Mrs. Milton Robertson of Rosemead were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Chet White Sunday afternoon.

Everette Baker, a student at Norfolk Business College, Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Baker.

Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Sr., and Mrs. D. A. Byrd visited Mrs. Pruden's sister, Mrs. Will Farless in Bertie Memorial Hospital, Windsor, Sunday morning.

J. P. Love spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Love in Wingate.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Jr., and children, Ellen, Edmund III and Marie, also Mrs. Virgie Baker spent Sunday at Nags Head.

A group of young folks attended the youth rally at Woodville Baptist Church Saturday night, celebrating Youth Week. Mr. and Mrs. Owen Barfield

and children, Marilyn Kay and Marcia and Randy spent the week-end in LaGrange with Mr. and Mrs. Noah Small and Mrs. M. B. Barfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Layton and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smithwick spent Sunday visiting at Nags Head.

Dance Recital To Be Presented On Friday

On Friday night, April 13, the Modern Dance Group of the Elizabeth City State Teachers College will present a recital which is expected to be very entertaining.

The local Woman's Club, sponsor of the group, issues a cordial invitation to all to attend. The recital will be held at the Edenton armory beginning at 8:00 P. M.

For The People

By Bernadette W. Hoyle
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This week we will look at a case history from the public welfare files of North Carolina and see the way that skilled casework services were directed toward helping a teenage boy.

The mother received an aid to dependent children grant, which is a money payment for needy dependent children who have been deprived of parental care and support because of the death, physical or mental incapacity or continued absence from the home of one or both parents, whether natural, step or adoptive.

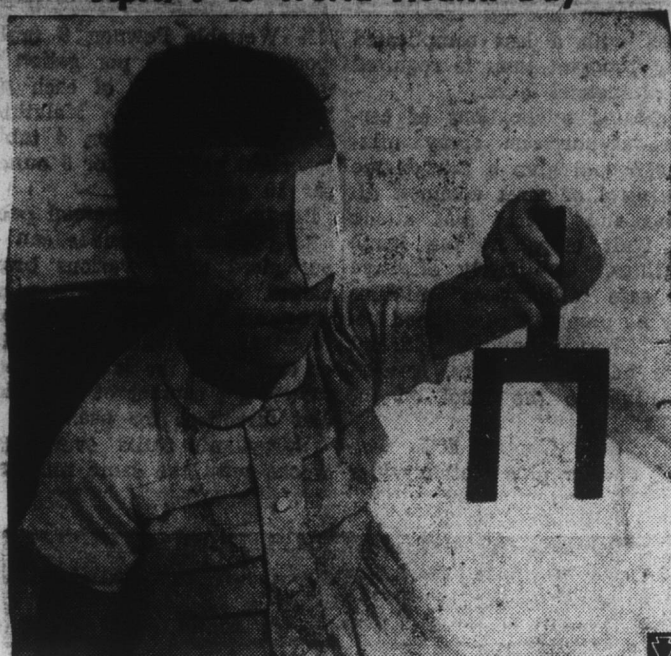
Mrs. Brown sought help from the county department of public welfare with both her physical and financial problems. The husband, had deserted her and their 14-year-old son. Both mother and son lived in an apartment with her aged mother, whose only income was a small social security payment. Mrs. Brown had attempted to work and earn a livelihood for herself and son, but due to a malignancy she was not able to continue. Local doctors had recommended that she have therapy at either Duke Hospital or Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill, but this was impossible without assistance.

Mrs. Brown's son had become disinterested in his school work and wanted to quit school. He had become involved in petty thievery and was brought into juvenile court, where he was placed in the custody of his mother under the supervision of the public welfare department.

An aid to dependent children grant was approved by Mrs. Brown. Assistance with transportation and treatment at Duke were furnished by the county department of public welfare and civic groups. The husband's whereabouts were traced through the Social Security Office, and he was picked up by local law officials. He was tried and convicted of bigamy and received a prison sentence.

Mrs. Brown lived only a short while after the trial. The son now was left in the home with his grandmother. By encouragement from people in the community, the public welfare department and school officials, he had continued in school, but after the death of his mother a change was needed. The grandmother, who loved the boy deeply, felt that she was not capable of coping with the problems of a teenage boy. The boy's pastor was made aware of the situation and, with the

April 7 is World Health Day



PRESERVE SIGHT — PREVENT BLINDNESS
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This little girl is suffering from a "lazy eye". Though not too serious the condition diminishes the child's vision and, if not arrested in time, may lead to weak-sightedness and even eventual blindness. The way to correct this is through exercises like the one she performs here. By covering the good eye she trains the lazy one to work properly.

A lazy eye is only one of a host of menaces to good vision a child runs in growing up. Of the world's 10 million blind people about 650,000 are children. Yet fully two-thirds of this global burden of blindness need never have occurred. It could have been prevented. Naturally, the best place to begin blindness prevention is with children.

It was in recognition of the tragic and unnecessary waste that blindness inflicts on the world's human and economic wealth that the 109 member states of the World Health Organization chose "Preserve

Sight—Prevent Blindness" as the theme for the celebration April 7 of the UN specialized agency's fourteenth anniversary.

WHO Director-General Dr. M. G. Candau says: "With proper treatment by drugs and surgery, sight could be restored to millions who are now losing it; preventive measures can ensure that in the future the numbers of the blind will be a third or less of what they are today."

"It cannot be repeated too often that the cost of preventive services is only a fraction of what could be saved by reducing the burden which the blind inevitably represent for any country's economy."

public welfare department, helped in plans for the boy to enter a boys' school in a Northern state. A local civic group secured ample clothing for him and provided transportation. Unfortunately, the boy was unhappy in his new environment and homesick for the South, his grandmother and friends.

After several months the county department of public welfare arranged for him to return home. After counseling with the boy and the grandmother, the boy, who was now 17 years of age, expressed a desire to enter some branch of the armed services. He decided on the Army and during his tenure of service will receive vocational training which will be of great benefit to him in securing self-supporting work in civilian life. He has been quite successful in his Army career and has traveled extensively. In appearance, he is a handsome, erect youth. He corresponds with regularity with his grandmother and she says, "He is a grandson to be proud of." He attributes the solution to many of his problems to the skilled casework services by the county department of public welfare, who knew him from the age of 14 and took a personal interest in his welfare.

AGRONOMISTS SAY POOR LIMING THREATENS FARMS

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of phosphorus.

(5) Decreases the losses of potassium and ammonium nitrogen by leaching.

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Feed Grain Program Breakdown Released

A breakdown of the 1962 Feed Grain Program, as released by H. O. West of the local ASC Office is as follows:

Number of farms eligible to participate, 711.

Number of farms participating, 346.

Percent of farms signed up,

48.6%.

Corn and milo base acreage on participating farms, 8137.0.

Intended diverted acreage, 4675.0.

Advance payments, issued, \$79,537.99.

Compliance on participating Feed Grain Farms will be checked. This work will begin in May and final payments will be subject to this compliance check. Both planted corn and milo acreage as well as diverted land will be closely measured. Notices will be given by mail and participants will be notified when to pick up their final payments.

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