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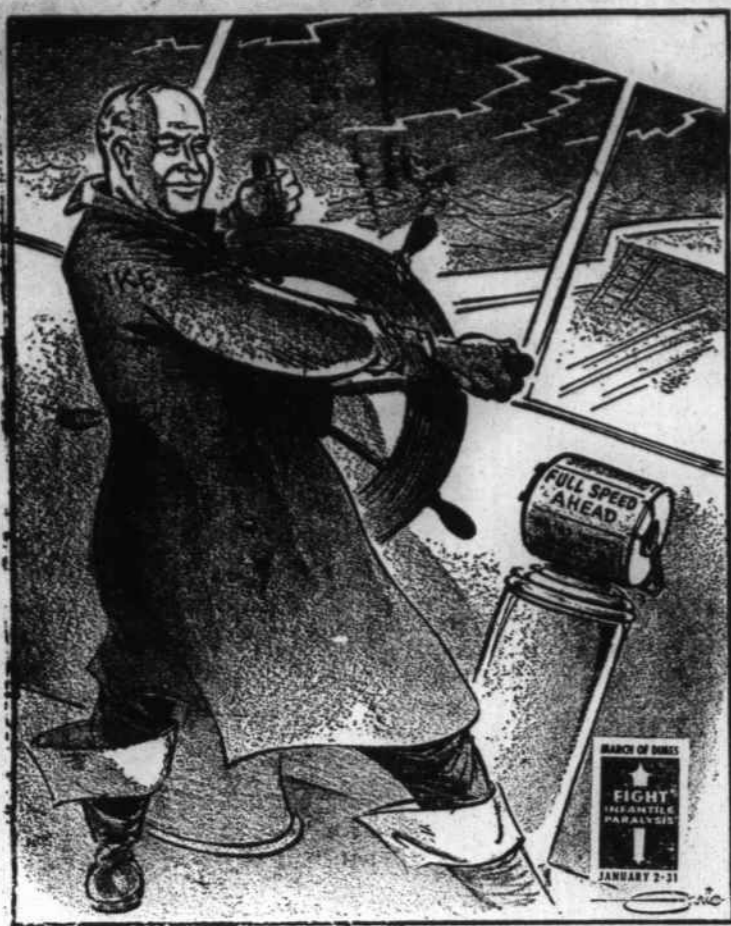
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WE'RE ALL WITH YOU, SKIPPER!



## Every Man, Woman, Child Should Join Dimes March

With most of the time gone in the March of Dimes, Cherokee County has not exactly set the woods on fire with its contributions. There is no reason at all why every man, woman and child should not be willing to give their dimes or dollars in our county's fight against infantile paralysis. It is a hard, uphill battle the nation is waging against the disease and the tide is just now turning in favor of the doctors, nurses, scientists and technicians who have dedicated their lives to the fight against polio.

Any person, regardless to race, creed or color, can turn to the National Foundation for assistance when the dreaded polio strikes. And, as the foundation points out, very few persons can afford to pay the immense cost polio incurs. A victim of the disease would have to put out some \$50 a day for treatment, the foundation says.

Polio is no respecter of persons and any of us may fall victim to the disease at any time. That reason alone—discounting the wonderful opportunity to help others—should move us all to add our bit to the collection.

Join the March of Dimes is more than just a slogan; it is a plea, a necessity for fair play, a strong command from our conscience.

## Looking Over A Four-H Clover

By FRANCES PUETT And M. E. WRIGHT

### PROJECT SELECTIONS

Four-H club girls enrolled this year show a variety of projects selected. There are approximately 400 girls enrolled this year. Each girl carries three projects on the average. Two hundred seventy-four (274) are enrolled in clothing projects; two hundred forty-two (242) are enrolled in food preparation projects. One hundred twenty-four (124) in health and safety; one hundred eighty (180) in gardening and preservation; eighty-seven (87) in home management projects such as improved ironing and laundering or related work; sixty-one (61) in family relationship projects; fifty-four (54) in home, room, or grounds improvement; thirty-seven (37) in recreation or crafts; twenty (20) in public speaking. Sixty-nine (69) girls are enrolled in farming projects such as forestry, poultry, pig, wildlife.

### COUNCIL PROGRAM

The 4-H council held a program on Saturday especially for officers and leaders of the 4-H clubs. Fred Van Horn, president, was in charge of the meeting.

T. J. Harris, secretary, from Wolf Creek A does a wonderful job of writing up council meetings. And he comes such a long way to get to the meetings. T. J. makes a real contribution to the 4-H council.

On Saturday Jerry Ruth Smith gave a special talk on the importance and type of recreation for 4-H'ers to use in club, community, church, or home.

Fred Van Horn, who is enrolled in the public speaking contest,

## Mother of Mrs. Hill Passes

Mrs. Maude Ann McKaahan, Mother of Mrs. J. N. Hill of Murphy, died at 10:45 p. m. Monday in a Detroit hospital after a short illness.

A native of Bostwick, Ga., Mrs. McKaahan moved to Detroit several years ago to live.

Both her daughters, Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Edward S. Lindberg of Atlanta, Ga., were with Mrs. McKaahan when she died. She is survived by the two daughters and a sister, Mrs. Russ Daniels of Bestwick and six grandchildren.

Burial will be in Atlanta. Funeral arrangements were still incomplete earlier this week.

gave a speech on citizenship. Fred won third in the state last year, and looks like Fred is out to do his best this year.

The agents gave a program on "How to Keep a Long Time 4-H Record." Records are very important in 4-H work. The greatest value we think is for the member to measure herself or himself in progress made. Records are important in selection of outstanding 4-H'ers.

Miss Maud Collins and Mrs. Truman McNabb, 4-H leaders, came all the way from Wolf Creek and Sult to attend the meeting.

The next council meeting will be held the third Saturday in February.

## Cherokee Chatter

BY THE EDITOR

After sneaking an hour off from a busy newspaper day to watch part of the inauguration on TV, I can now identify each and every Secret Service man assigned to guard President Eisenhower. I can identify them provided I get a view of the backs of their necks.

For some reason the vehicle carrying the TV camera was assigned a spot at the right rear of the bodyguard car, giving the audience a wonderful, but unromantic, back view of its occupants.

However, I understand the camera got into a better location after we left and it was like having a grandstand seat for the occasion.

OUR HOSTESS

Mrs. R. C. FULLER was our hostess during our TV viewing of the bodyguard backs. But just to be fair I'll have to agree with the Rev. DELBERT BYRUM who said it is a wonderful country when we can sit in our homes and watch the inauguration of our president.

WASHINGTON SNOW??

Mrs. Fuller had some sandwiches, coffee, cake and ice cream ready for her TV guests. MRS. H. BUECK sat next to me and once in a while gave out with a few bits of information about the governor's inauguration. Her husband dropped in just long enough for a coke and cookie and to ask: "Is it snowing in Washington?" The hostess let him stay.

BOB CHENEY came in after we finished eating and the last time I saw him he was still eating.

NO ED

I kept a weathered eye peeled for ED HYDE but I didn't see him.

We were over at Ed's beautiful house the other evening for dinner and we had the best biscuits I ever put past my heart shaped lips. VIRGINIA HYDE put up small tables in the living room and we served our plates from the dining room table. Being a wise old head at this eating business, I found myself a table with three women. That way I was able to put away plenty of food without attracting any attention, except that favorable glance women reserve for a man who eats a big meal.

HOT TALK

Ed showed the men folks through the house with the tour including the heating plant in the basement and the den on the second floor.

BILL HOOVER was mighty interested in the heating system and I believe he picked up a few pieces of helpful information. JOE RAY entered the heating discussion and the building of homes in general while L. L. MASON and I enjoyed the house and the beautiful view the Hydys have from their hill.

## Illness Fatal To Slayton

Thomas O. Slayton, 62, of the Peachtree section of Cherokee County, died Thursday in a Knoxville hospital after several weeks' illness.

Funeral services were conducted at 10:30 a. m. Saturday in the First Methodist Church here.

The Rev. R. Delbert Byrum officiated and burial followed in the family plot in Peachtree Cemetery.

The body lay in state in the church from 10 to 10:30 a. m.

Pallbearers were Hugh Hensley, Fred Zimmerman, Brown Caldwell, Jack Wimpey, John McGuire, Porter Axley, Nell Sneed and Dr. Jack Davis.

He was a native of West Virginia, the son of Mrs. Flora Slayton and the late Frank Slayton, members of prominent West Virginia families, but had lived in Cherokee County for the past 25 years.

He was a shirmer, a member of Oasis Temple in Charlotte, a veteran of World War I, having served over seas and was discharged July 29, 1919, at Camp Lee, Va. He had been superintendent of State prison camps for eight years, and had been employed with the

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## 49 Patients Treated At Clinic

## Eisenhower Takes Office As Area Folks Attend

A new president is in the White House today after Dwight D. Eisenhower, first Republican commander-in-chief in 20 years, was inaugurated Tuesday after an hours long parade.

Area people who were in Washington to see the parade and the swearing in of "Ike" were E. C. Hyde, and O. L. Anderson, both of Murphy, and Reuel White and R. N. Tiger, both of Hayesville.

With the biggest TV hookup in history listening in, President Eisenhower called for peace with honor.

"A soldier's pack," he said, "is not so heavy a burden as a prisoner's chains."

After he became the nation's 34th chief executive, President Eisenhower led the inaugural parade down Pennsylvania Avenue. He then reviewed it from a stand in front of his White House home.

North Carolina's float was a reminder to the viewers to keep America green.

## Funeral Services Held For Keith At Bear Creek

Funeral services for Allen Keith, Jr., 35, of Robbinsville who died suddenly of a heart attack, January 1 in Chicago, Ill., were held Sunday at 2 p. m. in Bear Creek Baptist Church near Robbinsville.

The Rev. Clarence Adams officiated and burial was in the church cemetery, with Townson Funeral Home in charge.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Hazel West Keith; one son, Robert of Robbinsville; one sister, Mrs. Paul Gasque of Dillon, S. C. and two brothers, Archie Monroe Keeth of Dillon, and Robert Keith with the U. S. Navy.

## Two Nurses At District Meet

An organizational meeting of District 23 of the N. C. State Nurses' Association was held in Bryson City Wednesday, Jan. 14, with Mrs. Alice Swain and Miss Willie Lovingsood representing Cherokee County.

The following officers were installed by Mrs. Louise P. East, R. N., vice-president of the N. C. League of Nursing and president of the N. C. P. H. A.: President, Mrs. Shope, Franklin; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Joe Baines, Franklin; 2nd vice-president, Miss Helen Ghormley, Robbinsville; secretary, Miss Margaret Roper, Cherokee; treasurer, Miss Betty Price, Cherokee; and board members Mrs. Pauline Potekin, Bryson City; Lela Padgett, Sylva; Lula Gloyne, Cherokee; and Willie P. Lovingsood, Murphy.

The district includes Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Swain, Macon and Jackson Counties and the Cherokee Reservation.

Refreshments were served by the Bryson City nurses.

The next meeting of the new group will be Feb. 11 at the Presbyterian Church in Franklin. All graduate nurses in this district are invited to attend.

## Revival Begins At Free Methodist

Revival services will be held in Andrews at the Free Methodist Church beginning Jan. 27 and lasting through Feb. 8, the Rev. R. C. Eastham, pastor, announced.

The Rev. C. E. Anderson of Geneva, N. Y., will preach and there will be special singing at each service.

Services will be held daily at 7 p. m.

Twenty-nine Cherokee County patients, adults and children, were treated Friday, Jan. 16, at the District Orthopedic Clinic held in Andrews at the Health Department over the Bank Building.

The Orthopedic Clinic is held in the district, including Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Swain, Macon, Jackson and the Cherokee Reservation, every two months and is sponsored in this county by the Andrews Rotary Club. The clinic program is planned by the local health department and the state crippled children's society.

Forty-nine patients were seen Friday, including in addition to the 29 from this county, 7 from Clay, 11 from Graham and two from Macon.

The Andrews Junior Woman's Club served ice cream to the children patients.

Dr. S. S. Atkins of Asheville, Orthopedic surgeon, treated the patients.

Also at the clinic were G. R. Galloway, rehabilitation counselor of Asheville; a representative from W. A. McElduff's Brace Co.; physical therapist Miss Hicks and acting secretary, Miss Georgia Nesbitt, both of the Orthopedic Hospital in Asheville; and Miss Augusta Appelt of the State Board of Health, consultant in physical therapy.

## Mrs. Ledford Dies At Son's Home

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary E. Ledford, 75, who died Friday, Jan. 16 at the home of a son, Walter Ledford of Hiwassee, Ga., after an illness of some weeks, were held at 11 a. m. Sunday in Ebenezer Baptist Church.

The Rev. Henry Brown officiated and burial was in the church cemetery, with Townson Funeral Home in charge.

She is survived by another son, Clyde Ledford of Blairsville, Ga.; two brothers, C. C. Gerrard of Oxford, Ga., and Gus Gerrard of Blue Ridge, Ga.; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Scripture: Matthew 9:14; 1 Peter 2:10-25

## Two Hardest

Lesson for January 25, 1953

WHEN YOU see a pole-vaulter sailing like a bird over the high bar, it looks like the easiest thing in the world. When you see a watchmaker putting a hairspring into place, or a good cook whipping a cake together, it looks simple. But the simple things are seldom as easy as they look. So it is in the Christian life. It can be made to sound absolutely simple; but it never is. And it never is easy, either. Perhaps the two hardest things sound the easiest. Jesus made it plain that without them one cannot call oneself a true Christian. One is humility and the other is forgiveness. How easy they sound! But try them. They will test your spiritual muscle.

## Can This Be Right?

There is another paradox about these two indispensable qualities of Christian living.

They are not only much harder to practice than they sound, but they sound worse than they are. What is the quality which all Americans advise, imitate and practice with all their might? Isn't it aggressiveness, the go-getting spirit? Humility sounds like the opposite of that, and so we seldom hear it praised, at Rotary luncheons, in political speeches or in school textbooks. Even in church we don't hear much about it. Advising people to be humble sounds like advising them to aim for the bottom of the ladder, not the top.

As for forgiveness, this too goes against the natural grain. We can forgive people for mistakes, we can forgive them with good grace when they haven't hurt us particularly. But when other people have actually done wrong, serious wrong, and done it to me or to some one I love, how then can I forgive them? Won't I be lowering myself to their level if I forgive? Won't it be the same as saying that what they did was quite right after all? Shan't I be calling wrong, right? Isn't forgiveness turning right and wrong upside down?

Call the roll of the world's truly great men; they all have this quality of childlikeness, whether a greatly daring person like Scott, the explorer of the Antarctic, or a greatly wise person like Abraham Lincoln, or a greatly imaginative person like John Bunyan. All forms of greatness have in them the quality of the childlike. And the special humbleness that is essential for Christians is not only this, but humility before God. For the one sin that keeps one farthest away from God is the very opposite of childlikeness, namely pride.

Consider that other quality, the forgiving spirit. Does this really mean calling wrong, right? We should remember that forgiving is not the same thing as condoning. You condone a wrong when you act as if it were not a wrong at all, really. When God forgives us he does not pretend that we have done no wrong, and when we forgive others we should not confuse wrong with right. Condoning means approving; forgiving does not. You can condone without love; it takes love to forgive.

But nowhere in the Bible is it said that God forgives, or that we are expected to forgive, apart from repentance. The hard and unrepenting spirit makes forgiveness impossible. Forgiveness is not a one-sided affair. It calls for humility on both sides, for forgiveness is a restoring of fellowship, and that cannot be done in pride. But is forgiveness a sign of weakness? Wait till you have been insulted, injured or wronged, and you will learn the truth about it.

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## Seventy Times Seven

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