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Missing Facts

An interesting editorial on certain phases of socialized medicine recently appeared in the Christian Science Monitor, which said, "The increase in reported sickness during Great Britain's first full year of socialized medicine has its significance for the United States. Much of the British program is embraced in the proposal of government medical care insurance which the Truman administration is promoting. "Sickness among adult Britons rose eight per cent and workdays lost through illness 22 per cent. . . . Officials credit the growth of reported illness mainly to economic reasons — people now getting medical service who previously could not afford it.

"But there are additional reasons. In the experience of European countries with compulsory sickness insurance it has long been observed that when workers are taxed for medical care they often claim it unnecessarily. That is the only way that many figure they can get something back for their money. . . . It is also a standard part of the government insurance system to give weekly cash payments to claimants. The chance to stay at home and live for a while with the aid of state funds frequently militates against a speedy return to work.

"These and other disadvantages of a national system of government insurance for medical care are getting no publicity from the Truman Administration. British experience, however, is bringing out some of the missing facts."

In other words, these medical schemes make malingers out of the people — even as they regiment medicine, overwork the doctors to the point, and seriously reduce the standard of medical care.

Treatment Listed For Heat Illness

High temperatures and the rush of summer work make it easy to be overcome by any of several forms of heat illness, Wilkes County farmers were warned this week by County Agent Paul Choplin of the State College Extension Service.

The county agent explained that sunstroke follows prolonged exposure to the sun, whereas heatstroke is caused by excessive heat with or without exposure to the sun. The effects are the same and either may be fatal.

Symptoms are hot and dry skin, face red and flushed, breathing hard and loud, pupils enlarged, and, in some cases, unconsciousness.

Prevention is the best cure, Mr. Choplin said, but everyone should know what to do in case heat illness does strike. Here is what the National Safety Council suggests for sunstroke or heatstroke:

1. Move patient to a cool, shady place, strip to the underclothes, lay on back with head and shoulders raised.
2. Apply ice or cold wet cloths to head, cool the body gradually with a cool bath or with a hose or wet clothes and rub limbs toward the heart.
3. After treating for several minutes, stop and observe patient. If skin becomes hot again, resume treatment.
4. If patient is conscious, give cool drinks, not ice cold. Do not give stimulants.
5. Get patient to a doctor or a hospital as soon as possible. Continue the treatment in the ambulance.

In cases of heat exhaustion, the patient's skin is cold and clammy. A simple rule may serve as a guide and prevent confusion as to treatment: If the patient is cold, make him warm; if he's hot, make him cool.

Don't Be An Accident Victim This Season

Already estimates have been made of the number who will be killed on highways in this nation during the Fourth of July holiday period.

Last year in North Carolina 18 were killed during the holiday season.

Safety is the responsibility of every motorist, and if reasonable care were exercised by every motorist there would be no deaths on North Carolina highways this holiday season.

Here are some suggestions which, if followed, would eliminate the accident toll. These are quoted from an editorial in the Winston-Salem Journal:

"Start early so you won't have to speed in order to reach your destination on time.

"Don't take chances passing on hills or curves.

"Avoid abrupt stops and turns. Some car may be close behind you.

"Expect the unexpected and keep your mind on your driving, your eyes on the road.

"Mind your motor manners. Be patient and courteous in heavy and tiresome traffic.

"These tips, offered in substantially the above form by the National Safety Council, if followed, may determine whether you are alive on July 5.

"Follow them. Don't be one of the hundreds of persons killed annually in Fourth of July holiday traffic accidents.

"Each year this holiday season means heavy motor traffic on streets and highways."

"Always remember this: It is better to be a few minutes late and arrive all in one piece than it is to travel fast and wind up under a tombstone somewhere."

LIFE'S BETTER WAY

WALTER E. ISENHOUR
High Point, N. C., Route 4

JESUS IS OUR SHIELD AND STAY
It's good to know along life's way,
As through this sinful world we go,
That Jesus is our shield and stay
Because He loves, O loves us so,
And won't forsake His children dear
Who lift our tempted souls to Him,
But to His side He draws them near,
Though shadows make our pathway dim.

Yes, Jesus is our shield and stay,
O praise His name for evermore,
And some bright morning, some sweet day,
He'll call us up to heaven's door,
And welcome us into His fold
To dwell with angels fair and bright
Where streets are paved with purest gold
And God's true glory is the light!

When tests and trials surge about
And clouds of gloom sometimes hang low,
How easy it would be to doubt
The leadership of God below;
But with uplifted hands in prayer
And faith that will not go astray,
We then go forth to do and dare
With Jesus as our shield and stay.

When Satan tries with all his might
To steal our love away from God,
And make us think that wrong is right
And grace is only something odd
That few have ever owned and kept
And they have long since passed away,
How sweet this truth then to accept
That Jesus is our shield and stay.

FORGE AHEAD

If your aims are high, my brother,
And your plans seem right and good,
Though you may confront another
Who'd defeat you if he could,
Do not stop to fuss and quibble,
Nor to argue on his views,
For it's little mice that nibble
At the things around your shoes—
Forge ahead.

If at times your plans are shattered
And your aims about to fall,
Gather up the fragments scattered,
And to God more humbly call,
Who will bring their parts together,
Or the ones that He may choose,
So best you'll never lose—
Forge ahead.

If you meet gigantic forces
That would turn you down the hill,
Just consider all their sources,
Then aim higher, higher still,
And with grace and grit that's greater
Set your soul against the trend,
And you'll win a little later
If to foes you will not bend—
Forge ahead.

SPORTS

Dwight Nichols, Sports Editor

FLASHERS BATTLE GALAX AND WYTHEVILLE IN CLOSE GAMES

FLASHERS BATTLE GALAX

North Wilkesboro Flashers on Wednesday night lost a close game to Galax 3 to 2 in the Virginia city when Mozejko, pitcher, stole home with the winning run in the bottom of the ninth inning. The Leafs pitcher limited the Flashers to six hits, two by Bob Hite, two by Bob Wright and one each by Horace Hubbard and Drake Pardue.

Mike Scheer hurled well for N. Wilkesboro. Galax scored one in the first, one in the second and North Wilkesboro tied the count with one in the fourth and one in the ninth. With the bases loaded in the ninth Jerry Thornburg went in to pitch and Mozejko made his theft of home.

A Wytheville Friday night it was a slam-bang batters' battle in the early innings with Wytheville scoring six in the second and North Wilkesboro four in the same frame. Rankin was batted out for Wytheville and Bob Thompson fared as badly for North Wilkesboro. Scheer and Mitchell settled down to a pitchers' duel but Wytheville's lead held and the Statesmen won 9 to 6.

Bob Hite led North Wilkesboro's batting with three hits. Wayne Davis, outfielder who had been out three games with a foot injury, returned to the lineup and got two hits. Hubbard, Wright, Mercak and Davenport had one hit each. Martin led Wytheville's batting with four doubles.

Blue Ridge League Schedule For Week

Monday, July 3
Radford at North Wilkesboro.
Galax at Elkin.
Wytheville at Mt. Airy.
Tuesday, July 4
Afternoon: N. Wilkesboro at Elkin.
Night: Elkin at North Wilkesboro.
Galax at Mt. Airy.
Radford at Wytheville.
Wednesday, July 5
North Wilkesboro at Elkin.
Galax at Mt. Airy.
Radford at Wytheville.
Thursday, July 6
Mt. Airy at North Wilkesboro.
Elkin at Radford.
Wytheville at Galax.
Friday, July 7
Mt. Airy at North Wilkesboro.
Radford at Elkin.
Galax at Wytheville.
Saturday, July 8
Galax at North Wilkesboro.
Wytheville at Elkin.
Radford at Mt. Airy.
Sunday, July 9
Galax at North Wilkesboro.
Elkin at Wytheville.
Mt. Airy at Radford.

Lewis Fork Club In Good Meeting

The regular meeting of the Lewis Fork H.D.C., met June 23rd at the home of Mrs. B. F. Whittington.

The meeting was called to order at two o'clock by the president with 13 members present.

During the business session a committee was appointed to send cards and flowers to our sick in the community. These were, Mrs. Travis Eller, Mrs. V. D. Foster and Mrs. Vernon Dyer.

The County Fair was discussed and a committee was appointed to plan a booth for our club. These were Mrs. John Idol, Mrs. Worley Laws, Mrs. D. G. Dyer and Mrs. Radford Eller.

Mrs. Annie H. Greene, our home agent, gave a very interesting demonstration on "Eat and control your weight." Everyone is supposed to answer the roll call next month by telling how much we have gained or lost during the month.

The hostesses this month, Mrs. Worley Laws and Mrs. Denzil Dyer, served delicious refreshments.

During the business session "Grab Bags" were sold, adding a little to our treasury, with everyone enjoying this. We are always anxious to open our packages and see what we have. This usually is anything from aprons, dish towels, wash clothes, hand towels, pickles, pretty feed bags, aprons to deli-

Monday, July 10
All star game at Elkin between picked teams representing Virginia and North Carolina.

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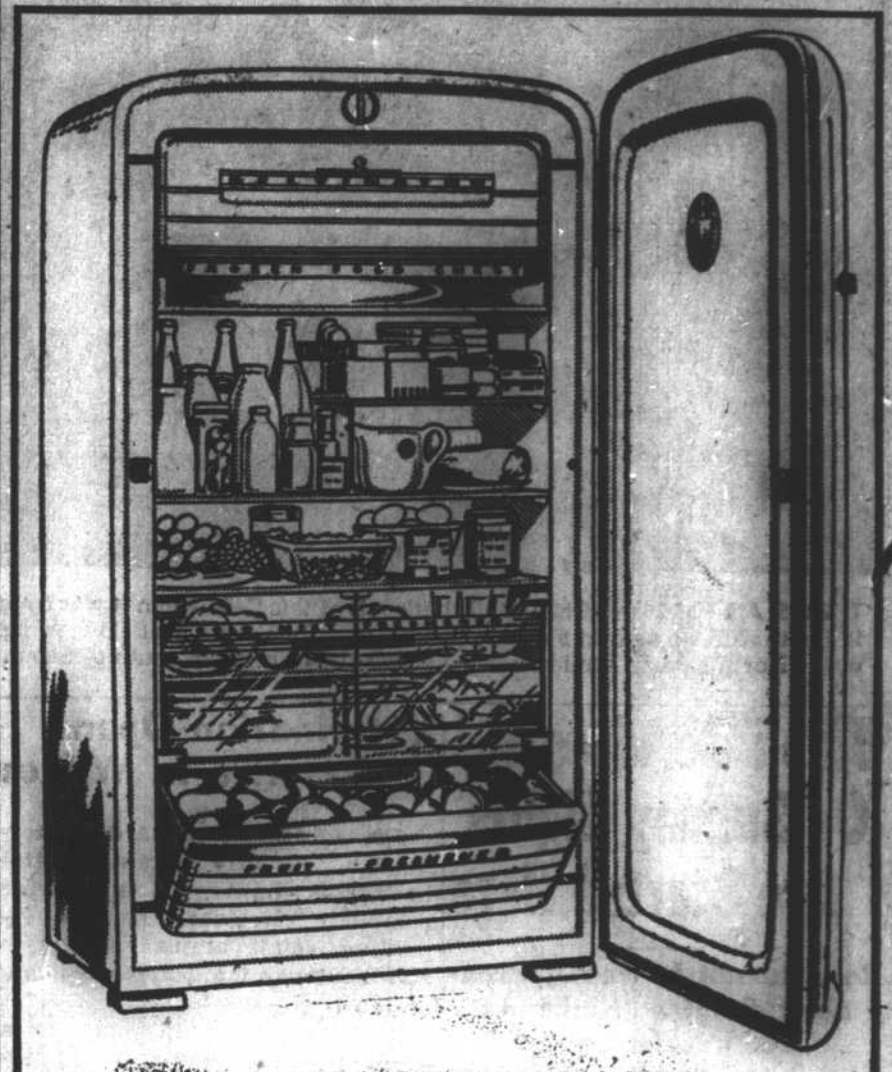
PATRICIA MORISON
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demonstration was on "Eat and Control Your Weight." We just want to "dig in" and forget we all want to fight the "battle of the bulge" and see a few more along the way.

icious cookies. It really reminds you of Christmas to watch everyone open her box to see what she has and when she finds something that looks so good to eat, its hard to remember that this month's

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We wish to thank each and every one for the many acts of sympathy and kindness during the death of my father; also for the beautiful floral tributes.
ALBERT J. CHURCH

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