

When you read this - I'll probably be in Florida for a few days. Hope I make it back home safe and sound.

The Helen Gresham Circle met last March 12th, at the home of Mrs. T. G. Hoffman with 100% attendance. Circle Unit Theme: Alcohol, Narcotics, Education, for the youth as well as the adults plus discussion study. The Drexler Committee, Mrs. V. Dixie Dixon, Mrs. D. Dixie Dixon and Mrs. Robert Dixon were on the Program. Mrs. Annie Cavanaugh, President. An interesting discussion on the subject of dangers, pitfalls and tragedies of drug addicts young and old, home and abroad and some local cases serving warnings to every citizen, 50,000 U. S. Citizens affected and one-fourth crime committed in U. S. affecting 100 more each year under 25 yrs. old. The Narcotic Control Act, passed in 1956 has cut addiction cases in half.

Need for understanding - and cordiality - is blamed for many cases.

The hostess served, "Onion Dip Chips, Doughnuts - and hot coffee". The usual Social gab and conversation were enjoyed later.

Mrs. "Kit" Dall who has been an invalid since before Christmas was in Duplin Hospital for treatment. Fennell Lanier (2) was a patient at Kenansville Hospital last week for Surgery and is reported doing nicely.

Raeferd Cavanaugh is in a Veteran Hospital for treatment. Friends hope all the sick will be out again soon.

Roy McGee a well known colored man (suffered from cancer and a friend to all the white folks near him is now in critical condition at his home near Penny's Mill, and his white friends are caring for him and his family with staple foods - as he has no Electric utilities. A pounding was given him last week for food-or anything useful. There are three children in the home.

Recently a patient, told his Dr. "He sure hoped he was sick, as he would sure hate to feel the way he did and well.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dixon were visiting and caring for her aunt, Mrs. T. J. Brown of Wallace last week, as Mrs. Brown has been very ill at her home there.

Mrs. Clyde Batts and son Robert were some of the ones enjoying a sea-food dinner last Sunday at Sneads Ferry at the Southernaire Restaurant.

Mr. Willie Futreal was beyond himself last week when he received word he had won something and didn't know what? Well, Curiosity is exciting sometimes. We hope he won something worthy of his anxiety.

Mrs. R. G. Rhodes of Richlands breezed through here last week on her way home after she had spent two weeks in Lumberton with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Shaw.

Thomison, Gene and T. F. Sanderson spent last Sunday in Greenville, N. C.

Friends are glad to see G. O. Parker out again, he and Mrs. Parker were attending the services at the Baptist Church last Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollen Thigpen recently moved back here from Delco in Columbus County. She asked for prayers of her friends and wished to be active in the church affairs again. She and family visited a sister of Mr. Thigpen's at Catherine Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Andrews Sourry and family for Sunday dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Albertson and family, Mrs. Laura Brook and son Raeferd visited with a brother, Mr. Levy J. Savage Sunday who is a patient at Rock Fish Valley Hospital with Heart, Asthma and Bronchial trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sanderson made a trip to Mars' Hill Saturday to take Mr. S. L. Carter who expects to spend a sport while at Mars Hill with friends and relatives. and Business.

The Rev. Forrest Maxwell of Wallace, pastor of the Baptist church is expected to begin a week's revival here at the Baptist Church

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"Tis said," The young know everything, the middle-aged suspect everything and the old believe everything." The best inheritance we can leave our children is a few minutes of our time each day!

Hardening of the Heart, ages people more quickly than hardening of the Arteries!

I spent last week end in Lumberton. An hour or so before, someone had struck and killed their pet bull dog, Rusty. Steve and a pal and Rusty were near the home playing. Suddenly a car struck the dog. Steve picked up the dog, ran home quickly, rang the door bell, his mother opened it and saw Steve crying with dog in his arms... "Mother please take Rusty to the Vet, he is hurt." The mother knew the dog was dead. What a pity the driver could not have witnessed this scene. How much easier for Steve and all the family, to have had sympathy from even a careless driver, even if it had been un-avoidable.

While in Lumberton last week-end, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Shaw had gone over to Flora McDonald College and my granddaughter, Miss Annette Gatlin of Jax, Fla. who is a graduating student there, May, 29th, was there. We all had a nice time together, and Annette and myself will spend her Spring holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Gatlin in Jax, leaving March 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Maready and son Linwood spent last week end in Arlington, Va. visiting their daughter, Janice Maready, while there they visited the Capitol, saw and watched the changing of the Guards at Arlington National Cemetery, Smithsonian Institute, Washington Monument an delight seeing in general. They enjoyed their trip very much.

A TV repairman hurried to an elderly woman's home in answer to a call; asked what seemed to be the

trouble she retored, 'Well sir, every program on the thing is plum low. Wonder what the regular price for that repair would be???'

Those who can walk and are in good health will not enjoy reading this; I stopped in a small store in Brown Town last week; there se Mr. Raleigh Jones. It nearly broke my heart. He was born 53 years ago badly deformed and a cripple. How he cares for the small store is beyond my imagination. He's twisted withered legs are little more than skin and bones. His feet both twisted to the right, must have special shoes to hobble on and he uses two crutches, lives alone, but has made his living for many years; in the store. He spent a while in a Durham Hospital many years ago. Duke University at that time offered to pay him, and experience it his affliction and at that time he turned it down; now he wishes he had allowed it, even if it had meant death to him as it would have been more merciful for him that way.

To make matters worse, two years ago, he had blood poison and was in Jacksonville hospital sometime. Now sickness, Dr. Bills, and other bad luck have taken their toll; he has an ultimatum and a last chance to pay up his electric bill which has piled up - and without that he will be unable to even operate the little store.

A well liked woman is one who like a girl, acts like a lady, thinks like a man and will work like a dog.

Hospital cases this week: Mr. Burch Brown, Mr. Jerry Williams, Mr. Wright Bryant, Mrs. Melton Pickert; some detail next week I hope! Mrs. Maruice Fountain.

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Chatter Club Met

Mrs. H. S. Precythe entertained her Chatter Club at her home Wednesday afternoon. Club members include Mesdames N. F. McColman, D. H. Clifton, C. D. Lee, H. L. Hoey, L. D. Groome, W. C. Mangum, C. Lewis, and I. R. Faison. Guests at the meeting were Mrs. A. R. Hicks Jr., Mrs. J. E. Faison, Mrs. A. P. Cates and Miss Ruth Curtis.

Easter Program

Mrs. Sarah Turner, presented her first grade in an Easter program Thursday afternoon. The program was given in the Faison School Auditorium. The Stage and Costumes carried out the Easter season.

Mrs. Bowden Club Hostess

Mrs. M. C. Bowden entertained her bridge club at her home Friday night. Following several progressions Mrs. A. R. Hicks Jr. held high score and was given a bottle of hand lotion. A sweet course was served.

PTA MET

The Parent Teacher Association of North Duplin High School met Monday night at the School. Mrs. J. H. Cates presided over the meeting. Patrolman Tom Bryan made an interesting talk on safety.

With The Sick

Mr. A. P. Cates, president of Chas. F. Cates and sons fell at the plant Wednesday night broke four ribs. He is a patient at Duplin General Hospital in Kenansville.

Stewart Precythe son of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Precythe is a patient at ansville, Stewart had an appendectomy Saturday.

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Mrs. McCullen Entertains Guests

Mrs. C. D. McCullen entertained with a dinner party Thursday night at her home honoring her house guests her mother, Mrs. E. Johnson and Miss Alice Barnes Harris, both of Wilson.

The living, den and dining rooms were attractively decorated with arrangements of Camellias and Jonquills. Dinner was served on card tables. The seven tables were centered with miniature arrangements of Camellias.

Following the two course dinner bridge and canasta were enjoyed. Mrs. McCullen's guests included the two honorees, Miss Ruth Curtis of Pittsford, N. Y. Mrs. Lavice O'Jver and Mrs. Norbert Wilson of Mt. Olive, Mesdames J. J. Gibbons, C. A. Decker, C. R. Lewis, C. P. Kalmar, H. S. Precythe, C. D. Lee,

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. D. Newton are visiting The Don Winslows in Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Yost returned Saturday from Baltimore. They spent several months with their daughter Miss Ethel Yost.

Mrs. J. J. Gibbons spent the week end with Mrs. Sallie H. Herring in Clinton.

Mrs. D. S. Williamson and Johnnie Scott of Kenansville spent Thursday with the H. S. Precythes.

Mrs. J. X. Morton left Sunday to visit her daughter Mrs. William Sloan and family in New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Groome spent the week end with their children Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Groome in Portsmouth, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. William McCullen spent last week end with their daughter Mrs. Owen Wilson and Mr. Wilson in Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. T. H. Latham spent the past week end with friends in Robertsonville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Perkins of Richmond spent the week end in town. They were the overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cates Jr. Perkins preached Sunday morning in the Presbyterian church.

Johnson with a milk glass bowl and Miss Ruth Curtis with a bottle of Summer perfume. The bridge and Canasta high scorers, Mrs. G. H. Cates and Mrs. J. E. Faison were given pound cakes. The second high scorers, Mrs. Norbert Wilson and Mrs. Jim Thompson were given Pineapple cakes.

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