

Walter Sheppard Advises Legion To Sponsor Projects

Local Post Launches Fall Program With Barbecue Dinner And Ladies' Night At Municipal Park; Was Grand Affair

The Farmville American Legion Post Friday night was advised by a prominent Legionnaire, Walter Sheppard of Snow Hill, to sponsor and aid youth-while community projects in order that the organization might live up to the purpose for which it was founded.

Mr. Sheppard, formerly of Farmville, delivered the main address at the post's first meeting of the Fall season, held at the municipal park in the form of a barbecue supper. As is always the way, ladies of the auxiliary came to the rescue of the men and furnished cakes for the occasion.

Commander Charles S. Edwards was master of ceremonies and recognized prominent guests, among whom was Congressman H. C. Bonner of Washington, who expressed his pleasure at being present, touched briefly on the "powder-keg" international situation and pleaded with the veterans' organization to do its utmost to combat the "isms" which threaten our form of government.

Introduced by Dr. Paul E. Jones, Mr. Sheppard traced the history of the American Legion and summarized some of the projects sponsored by individual posts. He stressed the necessity of every unit supporting a program advantageous to the community. Mr. Sheppard's remarks were well received.

Also recognized by the master of ceremonies were W. E. Eagles of Greenville; Miss Mamie Davis, head of the auxiliary whose members furnished the cakes; Miss Annie Perkins, retired teacher, and Mrs. J. M. Hobgood.

Arthur Joyner was also applauded for his work in making the affair the success it was.

PTA Will Hold First Meeting Of Year Thursday, Sept. 25

Farmville Parent-Teachers Association will have its first meeting of the current school term, Thursday afternoon, Sept. 25, at 3 o'clock in the school auditorium. An informal reception will be held for the teachers. Mrs. R. T. Williams, PTA president, invites parents to attend the meeting and assist in welcoming the faculty members to Farmville.

The steering committee met several days ago and Mrs. Williams in naming committees for the year. Discussion of the public school music project was deferred for final action until next Thursday's meeting of the membership. Last year, the PTA provided funds for the employment of an instructor who directed glee club activities and taught public school music but was unable to resume the work this year due to lack of funds. Whether or not an attempt will be made to revive the program depends upon the outcome of the next meeting.

Officers other than Mrs. Williams are: Mrs. Henry Johnson first vice-president; Miss Annie Perkins, second vice-president; Mrs. Will Moore, secretary; Mrs. L. P. Thomas, treasurer.

Committee appointments follow: Budget and finance—Mrs. Sarah Albritton, Mrs. Harry Harper, Mrs. Lucy Lewis, Mrs. Walter Jones.

Congress publications—Mrs. Joseph Batchelor, Mrs. E. S. Coates.

Hospitality—Mrs. Ruth Parker, Mrs. Billy Burke, Mrs. E. C. Holmes, Mrs. Sam D. Bundy, Mrs. Alex. Allen.

Membership—Mrs. Arch Flanagan.

Parent-Teacher magazine—Mrs. Ed Nash Warren, Mrs. J. E. Bynum, Mrs. James Wheelers.

Procedure and by-laws—Mrs. G. S. House.

Program—Mrs. J. B. Joyner, Mrs. George Farr, Mrs. Z. E. T. Cox.

Music—Miss Annie Lee Jones, Mrs. Haywood Smith.

Stage committee—Mrs. George Davis, Mrs. John Dixon, Mrs. John Miller.

Grounds—Dr. John Mewborn, Mrs. J. I. Morgan, Sam D. Bundy, E. P. Nam.

Publicity—Mrs. Will Moore, Miss Hazel Baker.

Room toll call—Mrs. J. E. Bynum, Miss Lillian Harving.

Featuring day—George Davis, Mrs. Margaret Mewborn, Mrs. Mabey Pollock.

Town May Get Parking Meters Or One-Hour Parking Law

The parking space problem, one of those always arising in the swift development of thriving centers, has reared its ugly head again in Farmville and is bothering town officials who are considering the adoption of a law to limit parking in the main business district to one hour or to install parking meters on Main street from Belcher to Church and in Wilson from Contentines to Walnut.

A proposal to pass a one-hour parking law, effective on the four blocks in the heart of the business district, was presented to the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors a short time ago and in poll of the members has not yet been conducted to determine whether a majority of them are in favor of such limitations.

In regard to parking meters, it is believed that a survey reveals that it is not likely that the town will install them. Their use is limited to some extent in the downtown area.

Mrs. Nathan Bullock Has Change Public Library

Mrs. Nathan Bullock has charge of the public library, which is located in the town hall building. The library is open from 10 o'clock to 5:30 p.m. on weekdays and from 10 to 12 on Sunday afternoon from 5 to 8.

Leave Money

Cashier Levi Walston of the Bank of Farmville reports that \$42,655.81 in cash has been paid to 216 veterans who have cashed their terminal leave bonds since Sept. 2, the first date the former servicemen could redeem their terminal leave bonds.

He states that very few of the men were depositing their money, but explained that it was going to pay debts and into homes, automobiles and furniture.

Veterans have been advised to hold onto their bonds, if possible, and continue to accumulate interest.

At The Kiwanis Club

Thwarted in two previous attempts to have 27 outstanding Kiwanis programs, Louis Williams broke the jinx Monday night and presented three Army recruiters, one of whom had been captured by the Japanese in the early stages of the war and had been held captive for nearly four years.

Guests of Williams were: Lt. Col. Reed of Durham, head of recruiting activities in Eastern North Carolina; Lt. Blinbury of Greenville, in charge of the Greenville sub-station which serves five counties, and Sgt. Reel of Greenville.

Col. Reed and Lt. Blinbury outlined the administrative set-up of their offices and thanked Kiwanians for the cooperation recruiters have received from civic clubs and public-spirited citizens. The Durham officer stated that North Carolina exceeded its quota last month and that the Greenville district, assigned a quota of 22 men, signed up 29.

Sgt. Reel related some of his experiences at the hands of the Japanese. Captured shortly after Corregidor, at the mouth of Manila Bay, he was confined in the Philippines for awhile and later transferred to a prison camp in Japan. He told of the joy he experienced on seeing the first United States planes over Japan and on his return to the States. He also related a few of the atrocities committed by the Japanese on American prisoners of war.

Plans for the Kiwanis Carnival to be held Sept. 19-20 were discussed. Charles Edwards, chairman of the square dance committee, announced that a string band had been obtained for the occasion and that an experienced square dancer had accepted an invitation to call the figures.

Boy Scouts Planning Increased Activities

Farmville Boy Scout Troop 25, after a summer of reduced activity, is now preparing to go into full swing again. Regular weekly meetings have been held all summer but, due to the fact that many scouts were either on vacation or working, attendance was low. Much was accomplished, however, in that several boys learned to swim and others received life saving instruction. There were also several overnight hikes during the early part of the summer.

The troop staff called a Green-Bay meeting last Monday night to discuss plans for the regular scheduled troop meeting Friday night, Sept. 12, at 7:30. Those present were Assistant Scoutmasters Joe Bynum and Charles Quinerly, Patrol Leaders Harold Flanagan, Assistant Patrol Leaders Paschall Barrett, Jackie Willford and Senior Patrol Leader Albert Cannon. The leaders stressed the necessity of every scout taking advantage of the opportunity to make an advancement in class. Details of the coming meeting were also planned.

Any boy 12 years of age and interested in scouting is advised to contact Scoutmaster Ed Nash Warren. The Farmville Troop 25 has a place for sincere boys who want to have a good time and learn scouting.

Miss Janie Kemp left Wednesday to enter the junior class at Wake Forest college. She was graduated last spring from Mars Hill college.

Bundy And Johnson Attend Conference Meeting In Goldsboro

Plans For Football Season Made As Officials Of Eight Schools Formulate Policies And Adopt Regulations

Sam D. Bundy and John Johnson, superintendent and coach, respectively, of Farmville high school, met in Goldsboro last Friday night with officials from the other seven schools of the East Carolina Athletic Conference and formulated policies they will follow in the coming football season.

E. F. Johnson, principal of the Ayden school, was elected vice-president to fill the vacancy created when J. H. Moore, former superintendent of the Farmville school, accepted a position as superintendent of the Pasquotank county schools.

All rules and regulations adopted by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association will govern the eligibility of players for whom reports must be made by the school principal at the close of each six-weeks grading period.

The referee and umpire for each conference game will be assigned by S. R. Edwards, La. Grange principal, who serves as secretary-treasurer. The other necessary officials will be supplied by the home team.

A proposal to include basketball in the East Carolina Athletic Conference was tabled.

Officers Exonerated In Death Of Negro

The coroner's jury empaneled to investigate the death of Web Vines, Jr., Farmville Negro who was slain by Policemen J. A. Gregory and H. B. Fields, early one Sunday morning several weeks ago after he had attacked the two officers, held a hearing Friday night and exonerated Gregory and Fields.

Fields and Gregory stated that they fired at Vines after he first cursed "the law" and then launched an attack. Vines struck Gregory in the eye, shattering his glasses, and imperiled the sight of his eye. It can not be determined whether the officer will lose the eye until he is fitted for glasses a week or 10 days hence.

Abe Wooten, who was riding in the patrol car with the officers, and two colored men witnessed the shooting and their testimony at the inquest was the same as the officers.

Tuberculosis Clinic To Be Held Here Sept. 19

A free tuberculosis clinic will be conducted in the office of Dr. C. E. Fitzgerald, Farmville physician, Friday afternoon, Sept. 19, from 2 to 4 o'clock.

Announcement of the clinic, conducted by Dr. Fitzgerald, was made by Dr. S. J. Phillips, health officer. White and colored patients from all sections of the county are eligible to attend the clinic, one of the regular clinics made possible by sale of tuberculosis seals at Christmas time.

Walstonburg Legion Post Plans Barbecue

Members of the Walstonburg Post, American Legion, have been notified by their adjutant, Fred B. Shaekel, that a barbecue will be given tonight (Friday) at 7:30 in the lunch room of the Walstonburg high school.

Commander of the Walstonburg Legionnaires is H. C. Burch. D. H. Bailey is vice commander. The post was organized last year and has 76 members on its rolls.

KINDERGARTEN OPENS SEPT. 22

The kindergarten of Mrs. Florence Thorne will open Monday, Sept. 22. Children from four to six years may attend.

Activities Of Local Church Organizations

Baptist

Mrs. J. R. Shearin presided at the Woman's Missionary society Monday afternoon which opened with the singing of "America the Beautiful," followed by Viduan Joyner reciting Psalm 103. Isaiah 60:18-23 was the basis of the devotional given by Mrs. Gordon Lee which had as its topic, "The Unchanged Methods for Evangelizing the World." Mrs. E. W. Holmes led in prayer.

"Meet the American Indian" was the program study given by Mrs. Henry Johnson and Mrs. A. B. Moore after which Mrs. Johnson discussed the state missions offerings. An offering for this cause was taken.

Mrs. W. L. Duke was welcomed as a member and announcement was made that Miss Vivian Nowell of Wendell, a returned missionary from Africa, would speak to the members October 7.

The dismissal prayer was given by Miss Mamie Davis.

Baptist

Mrs. Albert Lewis and Mrs. David Quinn were hostesses to the Arnie Perkins circle Tuesday evening at the home of the former.

The program and devotional topics were the same as those read at the missionary society meeting Tuesday afternoon. Those having parts on the program were Mrs. A. J. Melton, Mrs. Robert Joyner, Mrs. Robert Fields and Mrs. George Davis. Miss Annie Perkins talked about home missions. Viduan Joyner recited the 103rd Psalm.

Mrs. Matthew Gibbs was a guest. Punch and angel cake topped with whipped cream were served in the social hour.

Christian

Miss Mary Irms Rives, a member of the Walstonburg high school faculty, spoke to the Woman's Council Monday afternoon about home missions. She was introduced by her aunt, Mrs. Arch Flanagan.

Mrs. Z. M. Whitehurst, vice president, had charge of the devotional and presided over the business session at which time goals for the year were discussed. The singing of "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" opened the program.

Group 3 served refreshments consisting of homemade cake, ice cream and nuts. Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. J. E. Bynum and Mrs. Matthew Dall acted as hostesses.

Episcopal

The president, Miss Helen Smith, was hostess to the Episcopal auxiliary Monday afternoon at her country home and opened the meeting by reading Matthew 9 followed by prayer.

Additional contributions were made to the leprosy fund in line with summer program studies of the group. The auxiliary decided to remember with gifts former members who were ill. Miss Smith read a letter from the diocesan president, Mrs. Ward, asking that they be hostesses to the Convocation of Edenton October 22 and also announced that at the invitation of Mrs. Madeline H. Rountree, a former member, they would hold their first October meeting in her home.

Mrs. Jack Lewis, educational secretary, gave a synopsis of an article, "They Live Again," written by L. C. McCormick, which dealt with the leprosy colony at Carville, La. Mrs. Lewis pointed out the colony is more cheerful and much happier than most people think and since promia, a new drug, has been used there is more chance for recovery from this dreadful disease. Beginning next month the group will study world evangelism.

Sandwiches, homemade chocolate cake and fruit drinks were served by the hostess assisted by her sister, Miss Hulda Smith.

Presbyterian

The Juniors held their first meeting of the fall with the leader, Mrs. J. M. Stanfill, Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Stanfill read Luke 4:31-41 and told the story, "Jesus Makes Sunday a Happy Day," after which she asked questions pertaining to the selection.

Members told of the visits made to the sick after which Roy Moore led in prayer.

Refreshments consisted of cookies, peanuts and iced drinks.

Greene Farmer Seeks Cotton Picking Unit

L. L. Hardy of Maury has ordered a carload of six inch farm drain tile to use on his farm in Ormonds township.

Arthur Vandford of Ayden, route 1, believes in using machinery as a labor saver whenever possible. Mr. Vandford has a hydraulic loader attachment to his tractor that he uses mostly for loading and moving dirt. He also has a scraper blade that he uses on ditch banks. At the present time, he is trying to purchase a mechanical cotton-picker. If he does, he said his neighbors plan to increase their cotton acreage in 1943.

Poultry Show Will Be Held In Snow Hill Saturday Afternoon

If you like to look at pretty chickens, be sure to attend the 4-H Poultry Show Saturday afternoon, Sept. 13, at 3 o'clock on the courthouse lawn at Snow Hill.

Ten club members will enter 12 pullets each in the show. They will compete for prizes given by Sears, Roebuck Foundation.

After the chickens have been judged and prizes awarded, each entry will be auctioned to the highest bidder.

Sixty New Hampshire Reds and 60 Barred Plymouth Rock pullets will be on sale. All pullets are ready to lay, are of certified breeding and have been vaccinated against fowl pox.

This is a fine opportunity to purchase good pullets for a backyard flock or to replace old pullets. Buyers will be needed in order to insure a good sale.

Club members raising these pullets are: A. L. Moye, Yvonne Meeks, Corolla May, Billy Sugg, of Maury club; Esther Beaman and Richard Tugwell, Walstonburg; Perry Sugg, Lewis Barrow, Miriam Barrow and Jean West, of Snow Hill club.

Football Season Tickets Available To Public

Farmville high school will organize an athletic association this week in order to stimulate interest in the athletic program.

Officers and cheerleaders will be selected. Committees will be appointed to handle certain matters and an important committee will be named to sell season tickets for the football games. Adults tickets, good for the four home games, will sell for \$2.00; tickets for school pupils will be \$1.00. It is hoped that sufficient funds can be raised through the sale of season tickets to pay the expenses of having a football team.

A practice game has been scheduled with Greenville high school on Friday night of this week at 8 o'clock, in Greenville.

MISS BOONE INTRODUCED

As members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service arrived at the church Monday afternoon, Mrs. G. E. Moore, Jr., introduced them to Miss Edna Boone, new rural church worker.

After singing "I Think When I Read That Sweet Story" the group heard Mrs. S. G. Gardner give the devotional. Misses Betsy Morris and Mary Leah Thorne rendered "Give of Your Best to the Master," accompanied by Mrs. Jack McDavid, Jr., of Nashville, Tenn.

The purpose of the program given by Mrs. E. R. Clegg was to acquaint members with the division education program for children at home and abroad. She stressed the importance of a Christian education along with public and private school education. Miss Boone gave highlights of the letters written about schools supported by the society. The college advancement program was discussed by Mrs. Clegg.

Mrs. R. D. Harris, vice president, welcomed Miss Boone and made announcements relative to the fall educational seminar to be held in the First church of Rocky Mount Tuesday to the informal hour after the next meeting complimenting Mrs. Aycock and Mrs. Whitehurst, district officers, who will be guests, and to the week of prayer and self-denial which will be observed October 25-31.

The closing prayer was the reading of the Woman's club collect by Mrs. W. M. Rollins.

Hog Calling Contest Features Kiwanis Carnival Square Dance

Noises sufficient to raise the dead will probably waft from the Farmville high school gymnasium Saturday night, Sept. 20, when participants in the Kiwanis hog calling contest compete for the championship and the prizes which go along with the honor.

The contests, for ladies and gentlemen, will be a part of the square dance which, in turn, is part of the carnival attractions arranged by the Kiwanians who annually sponsor such an event to raise funds for their scholarship account, from which loans are made to worthy boys and girls desiring higher education.

Charles Edwards, chairman of the committee in charge of the square dance, anticipates a goodly number of contestants. It is quite possible that Miss Annie Perkins, who practiced for half a century on school youngsters, may lead just now for the rafters will go when she really pulls out all the stops. Miss Edna Robinson, Mrs. J. N. Robinson and Mrs. J. L. Morgan, Sr., are others who might decide they would like to win the title.

In the men's division, competition will be just as keen. Frank Allen wants to take part but the committee on eligibility has ruled that he

Vote Tuesday

Farmville citizens are reminded that next Tuesday is the day on which voters will decide the fate of a proposal to issue \$351,000 in bonds for the construction of a new hospital in Pitt county. The funds will supplement appropriations from the State and Federal governments amounting to \$550,000. Voting booths will be erected in the portion of the town hall housing the fire truck.

295 were registered during the special registration period, which ended Saturday. This total is very small, representing less than one-third of the eligible voters in the township.

Those who registered for the election are reminded that failure to vote next Tuesday will be equivalent to voting against the program as a majority of those who registered must favor the proposal.

At The Rotary Club

Frank Williams was in charge of the Rotary program Tuesday evening and introduced Lt. Blinbury who has charge of the United States Army Recruiting service in this area, which includes the five counties of Pitt, Greene, Beaufort, Hyde and Bertie.

He stated that now as never before, the Army needed the cooperation of the civilians in order to secure young men who can meet the requirements for soldiers.

After relating a few personal experiences he had during the battles on Guadalcanal and other Pacific islands he introduced his co-worker, Sgt. Reel, who has served seven years in the Army, four of which were spent as a prisoner of war in the Philippine Islands and Japan. Many men died from disease caused by lack of food even before the Japs captured them. When the sergeant spoke of the living dead in the prison camps, a change was noted in his voice. The happiest moments of his life came, he related, when he was told that the war was over and when he reached the United States.

Paul Ewell won the attendance prize.

The club was happy to have Donald Bacon as a guest and is looking forward to having him present. Donald, who is an accomplished pianist, played one number and has consented to play for the club each week, which will add much to the Rotary spirit.

FORMER FARMVILLE GIRL BURNED IN BOAT EXPLOSION

Miss Sue Taylor of Maury, formerly of Farmville, was reported as not doing so well following the explosion of a yacht at Carolina Beach last Wednesday night in which she and a companion, George Applewhite, Jr., of Carolina Beach, received second and third degree burns and narrowly escaped with their lives. She is confined to James Walker hospital, Wilmington.

The disaster was due to an overloaded gas tank. The motor flooded and when a backfire occurred, sparks set fire to the gas in the bilge.

The couple were preparing to go to Wrightsville Beach with a crowd and were testing the motor before the others arrived. When they were about 300 feet from shore, the boat caught fire. Applewhite rescued the girl and swam with her to the dock.

Miss Taylor is the daughter of Mrs. L. L. Hardy of Maury and the niece of Mrs. Frances K. Allen of this town.

Miss Taylor's condition was such that a blood transfusion was given Monday.

H. F. Seigler of New York City spent Tuesday here.

Pitt Farm Bureau Begins Membership Campaign Monday

Organization work on the membership campaign of the Pitt County Farm Bureau has been completed and the actual work of soliciting membership renewals and new members will begin on Monday, Sept. 11, under the capable leadership of F. F. Hendrix, membership chairman.

The following chairmen will conduct drives in their respective communities with the help of other farm leaders: Ayden, J. D. Cannon; Bell Arthur, P. S. Rasberry; Belvoir, Julius Parker; Bethel, W. A. House; Carolina, Mrs. Lydia Barnhill; Shel-mandine, L. C. Venters; Black Jack, Elijah Mills; Simpson, G. S. Porter; Grimesland, Leslie Elko; Falkland, G. H. Pittman; Farmville, Mrs. L. R. Jones; Fontain, J. L. Duster; Greenville, Madama Oscar Hardee and J. L. Stanley; Pactolis, Cecil Satterthwaite; Grifton, Brown Hodges; Gardner's Cross Road, J. J. Edwards; Winterville, G. D. Cox and Roy Davenport.

Mr. Hendrix urges all farmers, landlords and tenants to join Farm Bureau immediately. He requests the farmers not to wait until they are solicited, but to pay dues to the community chairman or mail dues to the Pitt County Farm Bureau Office, Greenville.

Farm Bureau doesn't cost but it pays. How much is it worth to you?

Methodist Sunday School Workers Will Meet In Rocky Mt.

Bishop W. W. Peele of Richmond, Va., Bishop in Charge of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, has announced a meeting of the pastors and Sunday School workers of the North Carolina Conference to take place in the First Methodist Church, Rocky Mount, on Thursday, Sept. 18, beginning at 10 o'clock.

The purpose of the meeting is to make plans for the special emphasis on Church School enrollment and attendance in connection with the Crusade for Christ, the nation-wide program of the Methodist Church.

Prominent among the leaders will be Dean Harold A. Bosley, of the Duke Divinity School, who will give the noon-hour inspirational address; Dean Bosley has just come to Duke University from Mt. Vernon Place Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md.

The closing address will be given by Bishop Peele and adjournment will be reached by 3:30 in the afternoon.

Rev. E. R. Clegg, pastor of the Farmville Methodist Church, plans to attend the meeting.

GIRL SCOUT ACTIVITIES

Troops 2 and 4 held a picnic at the home of the leader of Troop 2, Mrs. R. T. Williams, Thursday afternoon. The girls of Troop 2 initiated 11 former Brownies and Sandra Wainwright into Intermediate Girl Scouting.

Ping pong and other games were played prior to serving of the supper which consisted of assorted sandwiches, cookies and drinks. Marsh-mallows were roasted and group singing enjoyed around the open fire.

Officers for Troop 4 were selected Tuesday afternoon as follows: troop leader, Faye Mewborn; secretary, Lou Taylor Lewis; treasurer, Ann Poindar. After the group was divided into two patrols Clarabel Flanagan was chosen as patrol leader for the dogwood patrol and Martha Holmes, leader for the deer patrol.

The girls discussed ways of making money to build the hut. Sybil Crumpler and Ann Murphy were initiated into the troop. Red was chosen as the color for ties to be used with the new uniforms.

Singing of the Scout hymn closed the meeting, which was attended by 17 members.

Plans for the coming year were discussed at the meeting of Troop 1 in the home of the leader, Mrs. J. M. Garraway, Thursday evening.

Margaret Andrews was welcomed as a new member. The troop has the same number of members as it did last year.

Announcement was made that the advisory committee will be composed of Mrs. Bill Rollins, Mrs. J. E. Bynum and Mrs. W. H. Moore, Jr. During the recreation period cookies and lemonade were passed.

MRS. ELLIS IS WESTERN UNION MANAGER

Mrs. Margaret W. Ellis is manager of the Western Union office, succeeding Hobby Smith. The office is open daily except Sunday from 9 o'clock to noon and in the afternoon from 1:30 to 5:30. The office is open on Sunday morning from 9 to 10 and on Sunday afternoon from 5 to 8.