



ALL CLEAN - The beauty of the woods and fields can be reclaimed by clearing away the litter. This is a field near the old swimming hole on Rockfish Creek after Boy Scout Troop 401 spent Saturday hauling away trash that had been dumped there.



TRASH ROUND-UP - Boy Scouts cleared away all but the big stuff from this little gully by Rockfish Creek.



GOOD SCOUTS - Clearing up near the old swimming hole on Rockfish Creek are Scouts from Troop 401 left to right: John Macdonald, Jimmy Hale, Carlson Brock, Terry Maxwell, Scoutmaster George Ashely, Douglas Abernethy and Lee Gillis.



FILL 'ER UP - Filling a bag with trash during a clean-up day conducted by the Boy Scouts last Saturday are members of Troop 401 (left to right) Andy Posey, Tim Hasty, John Manning, Vernon Brown, and Andy Gibson.

Citizens Warned

Don't sneak a peak directly at the solar eclipse this Saturday, the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness warns.

Looking directly at the sun can cause permanent burns on the back of the eye, the retina, which affect the part of the eye used for reading and other fine vision.

An eclipse will reduce the light from the sun but it won't reduce the heat. There is no safe way to look at the eclipse directly, the Society stresses.

Reports from previous eclipses show hundreds of cases of permanent retinal damage among viewers, the State Board of Health said.

Looking at the eclipse through sun glasses, smoked glass, exposed photographic film, welders goggles or other devices will not be adequate protection from the harmful infrared rays, the Society said. Telescopes increase the intensity of the rays. The retina is not sensitive to pain and often the victim does not realize his eyes have been harmed.

The only way to view the eclipse is indirectly, the Society said. Either watch it on television or make a pinhole device to project the image onto cardboard.

To make a pinhole viewer, take two pieces of white cardboard and make a pinhole in one. Stand with your back to the sun and focus the eclipse image through the pinhole board onto the second cardboard. The size of the image can be changed by altering the distance between cardboard.

Parents are warned to supervise children carefully as they will be out of school when the eclipse occurs at about noon Saturday.

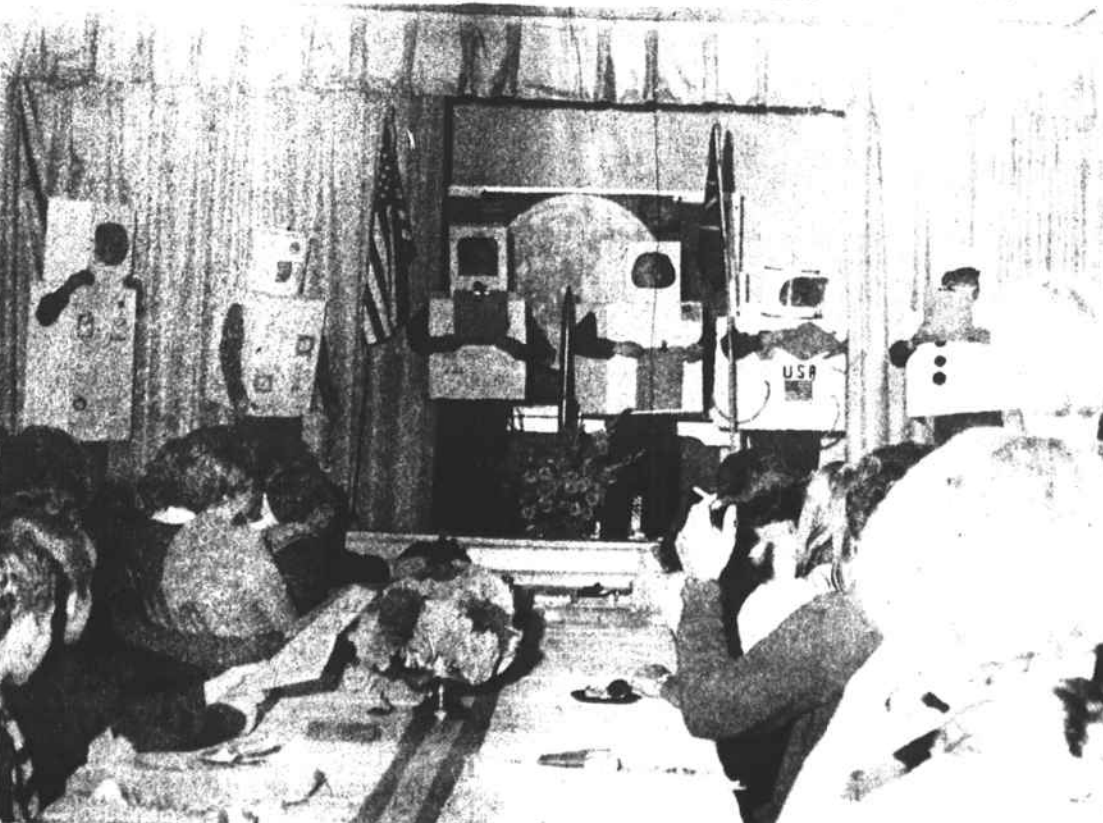
Diseases of the heart and blood vessels are responsible for more deaths in this country than all other diseases and causes combined.

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Fayetteville's Trade Fair

The Fayetteville Women's Club is sponsoring the annual Expo '70 Fair March 14 and 15 at the Cumberland County Courthouse. Entertainment will be provided by the Cumberland Chorale and the Barrishop Quartet and the Clowns. Hours will be Sat. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sun. 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. For more information contact the club at 215 E. 1st St.

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FROM OUTER SPACE - Cub Scouts from Den 1 presented the skit on space travel at the annual Blue and Gold Banquet held Friday at the Presbyterian Church. Attending were the families of the Scouts and guests Mayor and Mrs. John K. McNeill, Jr. and scout executive Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Angley of Lenoir. This year is the 60th anniversary of Cub Scouting. Participating in the skit were Cub Scouts David McNeill, J.P. Davis, Charles Pope, Art Diehl, Johnny Roberts and Mark Madden.

Hoke ASCS News

BY TOM BURGESS

1970 Farm Program sign-up ends on March 20 - North Carolina Farmers are reminded that the sign-up period for the 1970 Cotton, Feed Grain, and Wheat Programs will close on March 20. Tom Burgess, County Executive Director for

the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, encourages farmers to sign up early in order to avoid any last minute rush. Since advance payments are not being made in 1970 many farmers have not signed up early as in prior years. This could result in farmers having to wait in line if they delay signing up until the last week. Each of the programs (Feed

Grain, Wheat and Cotton) has a wide variety of options available to the farmer. Basically the programs offer price support and price support payments to participating farmers. Farmers may also earn diversion payments under the feed grain and wheat programs. Farmers are urged to study each of these programs carefully and to sign up early.

Soybean price - support policies announced - The national average price - support loan level for 1970 - crop soybeans will be the same as for 1969 - \$2.25 a bushel (No. 1 grade, 12.8 - 13.0 percent moisture).

County price - support loan levels will be announced at a later date. The county rates will not necessarily be the same as for 1969. They may vary slightly to reflect marketing changes within a geographical area.

Price - support loans for 1970 - crop soybeans will be available to producers - either as individuals or within CCC - approved cooperative marketing associations - at county ASCS offices through May 31, 1971. Maturity date will be June 30, 1971.

Resale Announcements - Resale loans on farm - stored soybeans for the 1967 - 68 - 69 crops will be available. Extension of loans on soybeans in commercial storage is not authorized.

Resale price - support loans will not be extended for 1966 - crop farm - stored soybeans nor for 1967 - 68 crops of commercially - stored soybeans. On these loans, maturity date is July 31, 1970.

Calling of loans on older crops is a good management practice, enabling movement of older stocks to make room for newer supplies being put into or continued in storage. When a price - support commodity loan is called, the producer may liquidate his loan by delivery of the commodity to the Commodity Credit Corporation or by repayment of the loan.

CCC Sales Price for Soybeans - The minimum sales

price for CCC soybeans for the marketing year beginning September 1 will be the same as that for the preceding year. This means a flat 27 1/2 cents per bushel above the 1970 price - support rate at the point of storage, or the market price, whichever is higher. The national average CCC minimum sales price will increase at the rate of 1 1/2 cents per bushel per month for nine months.

Cottonseed Support Level - The 1970 price - support level for cottonseed will be \$37 a ton (basis grade 100), the same as last year. By law, soybeans and cottonseed must be supported at levels that will enable them to compete on equal terms in the market.

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