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Miracles Happen But Money Helps

At 9 a.m. the blind girl lay on the operating table. The left side of her face grew numb from the local anesthetic. She could neither feel nor see the surgeon operating on her left eye.

At 9:18 she gasped with the shock of excitement—she suddenly could see the surgeon's gloved hand. Then the world went black again but this time from the darkness of bandages.

Twelve days later, with the bandages gone, light flooded through the once-useless eye of the 18-year-old girl, giving the world color, shape, and expression for the first time in 15 years. Six months later, in another 20-minute operation, vision was restored to her right eye.

Such is the work made possible through the funds obtained by the North Carolina Association for the Blind in its annual White Cane week which will be conducted here next week by the Morehead City Lions club.

Assisting the Lions in this campaign, part of their annual sight-conserving program, will be members of the Teen-Age club. To each contributor during White Cane week a small red and white badge will be given. Contributors of a dollar or more will become members of the North Carolina Association for the Blind.

One third of the money received from the sale of White Cane badges will remain in this locality to finance local programs of aid to the blind and sight conservation. The other two-thirds will go to the Association for the Blind and will be used in the expansion of its statewide program.

Exactly what does the association do with this money? It pays for operations and hospitalization for needy persons, it provides free examinations and eyeglasses to underprivileged school children, it helps to purchase equipment for blind persons striving to make their own living through vocations and skills taught by trained case-workers; it purchases white canes for personal use by the visually handicapped, Braille slates and other items needed by those who have impaired vision.

The contributions received during White Cane week will be used to bring light to those in a darkened world. We should be thankful that we can see and to show our thanks, help provide money for miracles... such as the one which restored sight to the 18-year-old girl.

The Insidious Red Destroyer

Chaperone your cigarette; don't let it go out alone. Slogans such as this and numerous statistics on fires will be uppermost all next week as 1948's fire prevention week fills the calendar.

Fire has been classified as the Fifth Horseman. It has joined the four horsemen of classical fame, War, Famine, Pestilence, and Death, causing loss of close to 11,000 lives in this country each year and destroying \$700,000,000 annually in property.

The most protective factor against this menace, being emphasized during next week's campaign to prevent fire, is A GREATER SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY ON THE PART OF EVERY CITIZEN to guard against outbreak of destructive flames.

In The Good Old Days

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

An editorial suggested that Front street be opened as far as Queen st. There was sufficient fill and if the boardwalk were removed traffic would not be blocked down Craven street, the narrowest street in town.

The graded school would open Oct. 1 with new desks, seats and blackboards.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

A curio which had been picked up on Core Banks in 1898 and had just been presented to Dr. H. M. Mendrix had the whole town guessing. No one was sure whether it was a tusk or a horn.

Menhaden fishermen, returning from Southport reported sighting a number of tarpon.

TEN YEARS AGO

The Fisheries Patrol boat, Hattens, left Monday for a cruise up the Gulf stream via Cape Lookout to Diamond Shoals and Cape Hatteras. Aycock Brown, editor of The Beaufort News, was along to play host to the group of Outdoor and Fishing writers.

The Harkers Island ferry was to be taken out of service for a few days so that repairs might be made.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Bob Slater and Bill Ippock announced that the new cinder block building going up on the causeway would be a complete machine shop and would be ready for business in two weeks.

Attains High Average

Rodman T. Spruill, Oriental, was one of 138 students enrolled in the second term of the summer session at the University of North Carolina who made the dean's list. Mr. Spruill made an average of B (90-95) in all courses taken.

OTWAY

Miss Frances Rose, of Harkers Island, is here visiting Miss Mona Gillikin.

Mrs. Leonard Guthrie and children, of Marshallberg, visited her father, Mr. Bryant Gillikin Sunday.

Mr. Floyd Lawrence attended the PB association the weekend at Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Preston Lawrence spent the weekend with her daughters, Mrs. Alonza Taylor and family of Sea Level, and Mrs. Doty Gaskill of Stacy.

Everyone is glad to know that Mrs. Bonnie Piner was so she could be brought home from the hospital Tuesday where she underwent an operation last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Uzzell Lewis motored to Fayetteville Friday on business.

Mr. E. T. Lawrence, of New York, spent the weekend with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fulcher and children, of North River, visited their folks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Beveridge and children, L. C. Jr., David, Julia Catherine of Beaufort visited Mrs. Beveridge's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Lawrence Sunday.

Mrs. James F. Hill and daughter are spending a while with her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Ippock at North River.

Mr. Leon Styron and children, of Davis, visited her mother, Mrs. E. T. Lawrence Thursday.

Mr. Ross Smith, of Davis, and Miss Clara D. Lawrence, of this neighborhood, went to Beaufort Monday and were united in marriage.

Mr. Tilton Lawrence and Mr. Syl



Raleigh Round up with a picture of a turkey.

By Eula Nixon Greenwood THE UNINVITED—Don't worry too much if you were not invited to the big barbecue held at Kerr Scott's farm last Friday. Around 5,000 people were present...

TAKE WARNING — The 52-20 clubs, which have attracted so much attention, will go out through an Act of Congress on July 1 next year. Self-employment claims, which have come principally from farmers in North Carolina will go out at the same time.

PRUNING — As superintendent of State Capitol Buildings and Grounds, it is one of George Cherry's duties to see that the grounds and trees about the State House are kept in good condition.

U. S. Attorney General Tom Clark sent word to district attorneys about a month ago to 'crack down' on these claims and work on them is now well under way in North Carolina.

SCHOOL TROUBLES — School officials in Raleigh and throughout the State know that a general overhauling is needed in the North Carolina educational set-up.

FIRST ACHIEVEMENT — During the summer months for several years now State employees have been working from 8:30 to 4:30 instead of from 9 o'clock until 5.

Lawrence went back to New Jersey Wednesday where they are employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gillikin, son and daughter, of Williamsburg, spent the weekend with their folks and returned home Monday.

Mr. Jacob Lewis and Mr. S. W. Lawrence went to Beaufort Thursday on business.

Mrs. Floyd Lawrence, and Mrs. Rumley Gillikin visited Mrs. B. B. Lawrence Tuesday.

Mrs. Alton Gillikin, Mrs. Lemuel Gillikin and Mrs. Uzzell Lewis called to see Mrs. Beulah Dowty Monday evening.

Mr. Rupert Lawrence spent a few days with his sister at Sea Level this week, Mrs. Alonza Taylor.

We are sorry to say that Mr. Hardy Lawrence had the misfortune of getting his leg badly cut, and had to be carried to Dr. Way for treatment.

We are sorry to say Mrs. B. B. Lawrence is still on the sick list. Everyone would be glad to see her up again.

CHANGES NEEDED? — Back yonder in 1923-35 North Carolina people thought they had a good State Agriculture Department, but when Kerr Scott became Commissioner in 1937 they found, alas, that this department was in a deplorable condition.

For years now we have been thinking we had a good State government, but have we? What constitutes GOOD government? It might be that when Scott becomes Governor, we will find that a complete reorganization of our North Carolina government is needed.

Minutes of the last meeting of the old year were read by Mrs. James Teal. The treasurer's statement by Mrs. Charles Lutz treasurer, was read and accepted.

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The meeting was opened by a hymn, "Love Divine All Love Excelling," and prayer was led by Mrs. H. E. Beck. Mrs. Dewey Phipps, president, presided.

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Mrs. Earl Douthett read the scripture lesson which was followed by a talk by Mrs. Pulaski Cahoon. Her subject was "Is Your Home Christian?"

The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. G. E. Conley.

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Chaplain Ralph A. Curtis will deliver the sermon, "The Sacrament of Holy Communion." Communion table open to all members of the Christian faith.

Havelock-Cherry Point

Mrs. Ruth T. Richardson, Editor 18 S. Craven Dr., Havelock

Organist To Give Recital Sunday

Mrs. C. C. Anderson, organist, will present a recital at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the Havelock Community chapel.

Her program will be as follows: The Lost Chord, Sullivan; Meditation, Massenet; Claire de Lune, Debussy; Intermezzo (song of Love), Provoost.

Mother Machree, Scott and Ball; The Rosary, Nevin; Humoresque, Dvorak; Beautiful Isle of Somewhere, Fears; Lord's Prayer, Malotte; Lead Kindly Light, Dykes; Large, Handel.

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4 p.m. — Organ recital by Mrs. C. C. Anderson, sponsored by Christian Endeavor.

8 p.m. Evening Worship. Chaplain W. W. Winters. Wednesday, Oct. 6 6:30 p.m. — Young People's Prayer meeting

7 p.m. — Choir practice. All members are urged to attend. Thursday, Oct. 7 7 p.m. — Midweek Prayer Service

Friday, Oct. 8 8 p.m. — Board of trustees will meet at the home of Sgt. Bowman, 628A MEMO, air station.

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these years he became a super salesman, winning two bicycles selling merchandise.

He collects autographed photographs as a hobby, and has among his collections one of President Harry S. Truman, the late president Franklin D. Roosevelt, several governors of North Carolina, and Commanding Officers of the Base. He is an accomplished tennis and ping pong player, and is well versed in Bible and history. Movies are among his diversions, along with pretty girls, "strawberry pop" and music.

Any day you can look out the window and see "Gov" on his iron steed (scooter), delivering messages on the Station. His most outstanding uniform is for rainy weather, when he dons a raincoat and helmet and gaily rides out the storm. He only becomes s-d when his beloved college, Wake Forest, loses a football game; when they win, "Governor" is exceedingly gay.

On one trip to Raleigh to see a football game, he saw Governor Gregg R. Cherry, and told him he was "Governor" of Cherry Point. Needless to add they had long chat.

Thad M. Wallace Cited For Bravery by O&R Officer

At 0930, Wednesday, 21 July 1948, smoke was observed coming from the cockpit of an F4U on the assemblyline. Thad M. Wallace immediately disconnected the battery terminal, seized a carbon dioxide fire extinguisher, and with complete disregard of smoke and danger, went into the cockpit of the plane and extinguished the fire.

This prompt action on the part of Mr. Wallace averted what could have been a much more serious fire for the fuel tank installed on the airplane was filled with gasoline.

Mr. Wallace, an instructor in the Assembly Division of O&R, has received the following letter from the O&R officer, for his valor and ready response to the emergency: "At 0930 on 21 July 1948, a very serious fire was averted in an F4U aircraft, located in the large hangar of the Aircraft Overhaul building, by your prompt action and clear thinking. You displayed excellent judgment in the method you chose to extinguish this fire, and the initiative demonstrated in this case was all that could be expected. Action of this kind is invaluable to this Department and to the Government service as a whole. You are commended for your excellent action in handling this emergency situation."

Now living with his wife and two children in Havelock, Mr. Wallace states that most of his life has been spent in "Little" Washington. He began his career in aircraft work in March 1942, at the Consolidated-Vultee plant in Elizabeth City, N. C., and entered on duty in O&R as an aircraft mechanic in April of 1945.

Navy Supply Mr. and Mrs. Al Shrubar reported a wonderful vacation which was started by attending the Shrine convention at Virginia Beach and then spending a few days in New York City shopping and sightseeing. On their way home, the Shrubars stopped in Baltimore and Washington to visit friends. —The "Old North State" has proven to be quite the vacationing spot for North Carolinians. Ruby Haddock toured the state visiting friends and relatives. — Stephen Johnson spent all of his time among the "Tarheels" too. — Goldie Hall spent a quiet peaceful vacation at home. — Elsie Hamilton visited friends in Michigan recently and reported having a delightful time. While there, she motored over to Canada. — Having started for Washington for the weekend, the Dales extended their trip to New York City. Darleen and Bob are really putting the mileage on their car. — Vira and Bill White spent the weekend with Bill's parents. — Sidney Edwards visited friends in Wilson. — James Ippock made a recent tour of Richmond and Mrs. Lida Lamm spent the weekend in Wilson with friends. The Garners have set up housekeeping in Newport; good luck.

WEEKLY VISIT ABOUT THE BASE The Civilian 'Governor' Of Cherry Point Air Base

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six years "Governor" has been an employee on this base in the capacity of Information Clerk and Messenger.

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