

YOUR COUNTY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

By GRACE KNOWLES, Superintendent

Another service which your county welfare department offers children is to help in social adjustment. This is done through working with the families directly, Foster and Boarding Home Placements (which I have discussed in a former article), and Training Schools. This article is directed toward the latter as I feel that you would like to know the "whys" and "whats" concerning these schools.

The training schools for children in North Carolina are designed not as penal institutions but as training cen-

ters where children, who, by reason of poor environment or inner maladjustment, have failed to meet the standards of behavior approved by the community as a whole, may be trained to fit more adequately into the social pattern.

Many persons still think of these schools for juvenile delinquents in terms of the old ideas of reformatories—a concept which has no place in modern methods of handling delinquency. These training schools exist for two reasons—to give the youthful offender a chance to develop in a

new and carefully controlled environment, and to give an opportunity for working with the children's family during their absence in order to provide better home conditions to which they may return.

North Carolina's program ranks with the best and most modern in the nation. There are now five permanent training schools. A sixth is to be built soon for Negro girls, thus giving the boys and girls of both races equal facilities—a goal which has been sought for more than a third of a century.

As probation officer for the Juvenile Court, the Superintendent of Public Welfare is usually called upon to make the social studies on children coming into court and frequently to make recommendations as to plans for them.

Frequently commitment to an institution is unnecessary as adjustment can be made in the community. This is highly desirable, but if no adjustment can be made the training schools are a resource which we may use.

While in a training school the youths are instructed in such rudimentary branches of knowledge as is suited to their ages and capacities and are taught useful trades. They are, if possible, to be taught "the precepts of the Holy Bible, good moral conduct, how to work and be industrious." They receive industrial, religious, recreational, and health training.

Children coming before the juvenile courts in the counties, whom it has been decided will benefit from a period at the training institutions, are placed in charge of the county superintendent of public welfare for transportation to the school. Before any boy or girl is accepted at an institution, a thorough case study is made and complete information filed with the school by the home welfare department. The school, in turn, sends reports on the child's progress under school regulations to the County Welfare Superintendent who is thus in a position to work with the family in preparation for the return of the boy or girl to the community.

Without this transfer of information the school would be handicapped in handling the child because of insufficient knowledge of his case. Without it the welfare agency would not be able to try to correct detrimental home conditions before the youth is released from the institution.

Without any change in factors that contributed originally to the youth's delinquency, the time spent at the training school would often become valueless. By proper modification of the home influences and preparation of the family to assume its responsibility for the conduct of the child, the months of institutional experience can be solidified into a pattern that develops in adulthood into upstanding, law-abiding citizenship.

Despite the length of time a child remains in a training school, he still requires skillful help when he returns to his own home. In North Carolina the local agency that works with the family in preparing it to assume responsibility for helping the child make a good adjustment is the County Welfare Department, and it must follow up the program of training received at the school.

The State's facilities for re-direction of youthful delinquents, require more adequate personnel and physical improvement. However, what is needed just as much is a thorough understanding by the people of each community that a term at a training school is not alone sufficient for a delinquent youth. There must also be work in the community and with the family to alleviate the causes that led originally to the child's maladjustment and antisocial behavior. The child must be accepted back in the community, not as an ex-delinquent but as a future citizen. He must be given work and must be trusted. Juvenile delinquents result when communities do not make adequate provision for meeting the needs of children and youth. The level of any community can be determined by social adjustment of its children.

MOTHERS' DAY SERVICES AT EDENTON CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday, May 12, Mothers' Day, will be obtained in St. Ann's Catholic Church. Holy masses will start at 9 and 11 A. M. and include a sermon on "The Mutual Love of Mother and Child," Holy Communion as spiritual bouquet for mothers, each mass throughout May, month of Our Blessed Mother Mary, followed at once by Litany of the Virgin Mother of God as May devotions, stated Father F. J. McCourt, rector, who invites everybody to all services. Confessions begin half hour and end five minutes before services. Week-mornings, one mass.

Man Floats On Air

Recently a local man who has suffered for years with tired aching, burning feet used PED-EX, and stated that, by simply massaging his feet with PED-EX every time he bathed, he now feels as though he floats on air.

He states, "You couldn't buy this jar of PED-EX for a million if I couldn't get another."

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CHAPANOKE NEWS

Mrs. Jack Trueblood of Norfolk and Mrs. Mae Flanagan of Virginia Beach, Va., spent Thursday with Mrs. Ray Pierce.

Mrs. Walter Symons went to Norfolk on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Culppepper of Elizabeth City and Mr. and Mrs. Bill White and son, Willy, of Hertford were dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Nixon.

Alice Lou Onley, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Onley is very sick this week.

Chief Cary Quincy and Mrs. Quincy of New London, Conn., are spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Quincy.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Stallings spent Sunday evening in Elizabeth City.

ENTERTAINED BRIDGE CLUB

Miss Helen Morgan entertained her bridge club Tuesday evening at her home. Those enjoying the evening were Mesdames Jack Kanoy, Jack Brinn, C. M. Williford, Charles E. Johnson, G. W. Barbee, M. R. Campbell and Miss Alma Leggett. High score prize went to Mrs. Williford and second high to Mrs. Kanoy. A sweet course was served.

BRIDGE HOSTESS

Mrs. R. M. Riddick was hostess to her bridge club Tuesday evening at her home on Dobb street. Those playing were Mesdames W. G. Wright, V. N. Darden, William Toeker, Herman Winslow, J. G. Roberson, J. O. Felton, Charles Johnson, Olivia Hobbs, B. G. Koonce, Mrs. Esther Evans, Miss Kate Blanchard and Miss Eloise Scott. High score prize went to Mrs. Felton and low was awarded Mrs. Darden. A salad course was served.

NOTICE

We will close each Wednesday at 12 o'clock noon, during the months of May, June, July and August.

Cannon Cleaners
HERTFORD, N. C.

HOSTESS TO BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Willis Jessup was hostess to her bridge club last Tuesday evening at her home on Market Street. Those playing were Mesdames Jack Brinn, H. C. Sullivan, Charles Payne, Robert Hollowell, Misses Grace Knowles, Frances Maness, and Ruth Elliott. The high score prize went to Mrs. Brinn. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

HOSTESS TO BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Trini Wilson was hostess to her bridge club Thursday evening at her home on Front street. Those playing were Mesdames H. A. Whitley, Lois Anderson, W. H. Hardcastle, S. P. Jessup, J. H. Newbold, J. E. Winslow and Miss Mae Wood Winslow. High score prize was awarded Mrs. Winslow. A salad course was served by the hostess.

STATE Hertford, N. C.

Today (Friday)—
Matinee 3 P. M. Night 7-9 P. M.

Saturday—Show Opens 1 P. M.—
ROY ROGERS

WALLACE BERRY
MARGARET O'BRIEN
—in—
"Bad Bascomb"

—in—
"Don't Fence Me In"
"Zorro's Black Whip" No. 7

Sunday—Shows 2:15, 4:15 and 9:15 P. M.—

JAMES CAGNEY and ANN SHERIDAN

—in—
"TORRID ZONE"

Monday and Tuesday—Matinee 3 P. M. Night 7-9 P. M.—
ROBERT WALKER and JUNE ALLYSON

—in—
"SAILOR TAKES A WIFE"

Wednesday—Matinee 3 P. M. Night 7 and 9 P. M.—

DOUBLE FEATURE

First Feature
NANETTE PARKS
ROBERT BENCHLEY
—in—
"Snafu"

Second Feature
FRED STEWART
JUDY CLARK
—in—
"Junior Prom"

Thursday and Friday—Matinee 3 P. M. Night 7 and 9 P. M.—
BETTY HUTTON and BARRY FITZGERALD

—in—
"STORK CLUB"

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VICTORY GARDENS ARE NEEDED TO SUPPLY FOOD

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Rape Salads Cabbage Collards
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M... is for Mother

... and here are gifts she'll adore... for Mother's Day, May 12



- FLOWER TRIMMED HAT—Lustrous black straw with crossed classic crown and white roses... \$3.98
- DAINTY BOXED HANKIES—Three frothy white handkerchiefs embroidered with gay flowers... 59c
- TAILORED CREPE DICKEY—White, blue, pink or maize. Opens flat for washing and ironing... \$1.69
- SHEER BLACK DRESS—Cool and lovely, with white monotone floral print. Sizes up to 46... \$12.95
- PLASTIC PATENT POUCH—Cleaning white surface cleans with water. Won't peel, crack... \$7.50
- SHIMMERING GOLD COBRA CHOKER—Beautifully made of flat music wire with pull-out catch... \$3.00
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