

ADVISORY COMMITTEE DISCUSSES GARDENS AT MEETING DEC. 11

Hear Reports On Other WPA Activities In County

WPA gardens for the various lunchrooms in the county were discussed in the meeting of the WPA advisory committee in the courtroom at Halifax Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Daisy Stancill, District Lunchroom Supervisor from the Williamston office, was present to explain the aspects of the gardens in detail.

Mrs. R. C. Josey, of Scotland Neck, made a report on her visits to WPA recreation centers in Scotland Neck; Mrs. E. H. Smith of Weldon reported on her visits to the WPA library and home aid training centers in Weldon.

In connection with the recreation discussion, which followed Mrs. Josey's report, Dr. Robert Young, county health officer, and Zeb Denny, former coach, made brief comments on the value of competitive play, both pointing out the wholesomeness of competitive sports for the mind as well as the body.

Before introducing her discussion of gardens, Mrs. Stancill called on J. B. Hall, Superintendent of Public Welfare, for an explanation of the process of certifying WPA workers for the various jobs in the county. He pointed out that circumstances too numerous to mention played a part in the certification, of a person. As the work under advisement at the meeting require women mostly, he pointed out that women who have competent husbands cannot be qualified for the work. Health certificates are essential in most of the work, and especially in the lunchroom work. He said that the need for a person to take over some job had no bearing on the certification.

Mrs. Stancill at that point told the committee that the lunchroom division of the WPA has a three-fold purpose in its program: first and most essential, to supply work for some person, or persons, who need it; second and second in importance, to furnish underprivileged and undernourished children with wholesome food; and third, to offer those children who can afford it, hot lunches at school.

In the discussion of the lunchrooms, Mrs. Stancill said that most of the WPA lunchrooms were established at the request of the principal of the school. A supervisor is sent to the school after the request is made to inspect the building where the lunchroom is to be located. The supervisor makes recommendations which the school carries out. If the room meets the requirements, the workers are certified if they are available. Of course the rooms have to meet the Health Department specifications, she said.

The WPA furnishes only the labor. The school through various aid must furnish the food, dishes,

*silver, cooking appartuses, etc. The laborers are trained during the actual work and at schools set up at various times during the year. At least 20 children who need the lunches must be found before a WPA worker is supplied.

Many lunchrooms are cultivating a garden during the year, the supervisor said. In some cases the school children are tending the garden during the fall and spring during school, but this plan has proved unsatisfactory.

She suggested a garden of about ten acres in Halifax County to supply vegetables for canning for all lunchrooms in the county. The WPA will furnish labor in cultivating the garden and canning the vegetables. The sponsors (schools, PTA, etc.) have to furnish fertilizer, cooking utensils, cans, and seasoning.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Stancill charged the committee to go into the various communities and explain the WPA setup to the people and try to encourage WPA gardens for the lunchrooms.

The committee is composed of V. C. Matthews, Superintendent of Schools, as chairman; Mrs. Annie C. Boseman of Scotland Neck, secretary and supervisor of House-keeping Aid; Mrs. E. H. Smith of Weldon; Mrs. R. C. Josey of Scotland Neck; Miss Kate Mills Suiter of Scotland Neck; J. B. Hall, Superintendent of Public Welfare; C. S. Vinson, County Auditor; Dr. Robert Young, County Health Officer; Watson Sherrod of Enfield; Paul Johnson of Littleton; and Zeb Denny of Roanoke Rapids. Messrs. Vinson, Sherrod and Johnson were unable to attend the meeting Wednesday.

The meeting adjourned with the understanding that the next meeting will be a call meeting.

Auxiliary Meeting

Mrs. D. C. Clark, president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church, entertained the Business Girls' Circle at her home on Thursday evening. The meeting was well attended. Miss Margaret Wood, chairman of the Girls' Circle, presided at the meeting. Several matters of business, both old and new, were discussed and action taken on same. Following the business session Miss Pat Daniel had charge of the devotional and she presented the program, which was both interesting and effective. Miss Lelia Murray had charge of the Bible questions after which the hostess served very delightful refreshments and a social hour was enjoyed. Those answering roll call were: Misses Margaret Wood, Pat Daniel, Lelia Murray, Louise Brown, Susan Holiday, Nellie Morris, Mildred Lee Moore, Gladys Morris, Gertrude Wood, Mesdames G. W. Davis, Zeb Denny, Graham Shell, Flora Clifton, C. W. Wood, John E. Buck, Fannie Hayes, Gilbert Smith, Hutchinson, Rupert Hardy, C. A. Wyche and Allie Wood. Mrs. J. E. Buck gave the treasurer's report and read the minutes.

Littleton Wins Over Warrenton

The Crushers of Littleton High turned in a victory over Warrenton last Friday on the locals' field in the season's big upset at the school.

The teams battled to a scoreless tie during the first half. The half ended with Littleton having the ball on Warrenton's 4 yard line, where Holloman had carried the ball after receiving a 35 yard pass from Hale.

The third quarter saw another stalemate.

In the fourth quarter Warrenton began to march and scored on a pass from Terrell to Bell. The same combination was good for the extra point. This seemed to wake the Crushers up and on the kick-off Hale came back 45 yards, putting the ball on Warrenton's 48 yard line. Littleton began mixing a passing and running attack that carried them to Warrenton's 10 yard line. Here Hale faded back and shot a pass to Thrower standing over the goal line. The same combination tried for the extra point but it was no go. Warrenton still led 7 to 6. The Crushers gained possession of the ball on Warrenton's 42 yard line. Here Hale passed four straight times to Lewis Collier, carrying the Crushers to Warrenton's 2 yard line. Moore went off tackle for the touchdown and Hale drop-kicked the extra point, making the score 13 to 7.

The three seniors, Maynard Hale, William Moore and Lewis Collier, ended their football career at Littleton High School by turning in one of their greatest performances during this game. Moore plunged through Warrenton's line time and time again; Lewis Collier was on the receiving end of most of the passes and made several nice catches; Hale did a nice job of passing and kicking. Other stars for Littleton were Harvey Harris, Willie Adkins, Billy Palmer and Brother Thrower.

Littleton's coach, Steve Acai, is a Second Lieutenant in the Reserve and has been called to active military duty. He is to be station-

ed at Fort Benning, Georgia, after leaving here the latter part of the week. Coach Acai will have a leave of absence while he is in service.

ENTERTAIN AND PLAN CHRISTMAS

The Roanoke Rapids Lions Club entertained the members of the Fire Department and made plans for their Christmas activities at their meeting last week.

After the individual members of the Fire Department were introduced to the club, Lion President Ted Speight presented Chief W. C. King a check for \$25 for the aid that the firemen have given the club at its festivals here during the summer.

The Lions Annual Christmas Party for underprivileged children was set for the next meeting, on December 19. At the party the Lions will again entertain 50 children and present them with gifts.

After the Christmas party the members of the club will take 50 baskets of groceries to needy families in the community. This has also become a custom with the local club at each Christmas.

Mrs. Allsbrook Hostess

This week's meeting of the Monday Night Bridge Club was held with Mrs. Julian Allsbrook at her home on Washington Street. Twelve guests playing five progressions of contract found their places and partners with attractive Christmas tallies. The highest score for the evening was made by Mrs. Scott Benton, the hostess presenting her a lovely prize. A sweet course was enjoyed at ten fifteen.

The players included Mesdames Howard Pruden, Rives Manning, Allen Zollicoffer, Scott Benton, Frank Hawley, Clarence Coburn, Roderick Meikle, Virgil McDowell, Misses Lucille Carlon, Elizabeth Clark, Ruth Transou and Evelyn Mullen.

Herman Watson of Richmond, Va., spent Sunday in town with friends.

Jas. A. Hart returned to his mother's, Mrs. Charlena Hart's home on Monday after enjoying a ten day hunting trip in Virginia. He was accompanied by Miss Lona Ellis of Branchville, Virginia, who spent the day here as Mrs. Hart's guest.



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