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Health Department To Start Pre-School Clinics

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Health Officer

When a child enters school for the first time he is facing the first major emotional and environmental change of his life. A great change in the daily routine is necessary and for the first time he must assume responsibility and begin to "stand on his own feet" and make decisions. In addition he will come in contact, in both work and play, with large groups of children. In view of all these changes it is important that he be in good physical condition.

One of the earliest activities of public health work was the pre-school clinic, with its examination and immunization of those to enter school for the first time. This remains one of our important problems, one to which much time is given. The pre-school clinic not only enables the child to have a physical examination and to be immunized against diphtheria and smallpox, but also gives him the first contact with the school and teachers.

In recent months the examinations of young men inducted into the army and navy have revealed a appalling number to be physically unfit. The foundations for health are laid early in life, and important habits are formed. If any physical defects are found it is important to have them corrected at once, for the years of the early school age child are marked by rapid growth, both mental and physical.

It is hoped that parents of all children who will begin school next fall arrange to begin their child to the clinic. The following is a complete schedule.

Monday, March 6, 10:00 A. M., Enfield.

Tuesday, March 7, 9:30 A. M., Hobgood.

Friday, March 10, 9:30 A. M., Hardaway.

Friday, March 10, 11 A. M., Ringwood.

Friday, March 10, 12:30 P. M., Darlington.

Tuesday, March 14, 9:30 A. M., Halifax.

Monday, March 20, 10 A. M., Scotland Neck.

Tuesday, March 21, 10 A. M., Weldon.

Tuesday, April 11, 10 A. M., Aurelian Springs.

Tuesday, April 18, 10 A. M., William R. Davie.

Friday, April 21, 10 A. M., Roanoke Rapids.

Monday, April 24, 9:30 A. M., Roanoke Rapids.

Tuesday, April 25, 10:30 A. M., Hollister.

Friday, April 28, 10 A. M., Roanoke Rapids.

Colie Clark

Mr. Colie Clark, son of the late Mr. Edwin Clark and Mrs. Eunice Thomas Jordan Clark, died suddenly at his residence Saturday morning. His age was 62 years.

He was born August 26, 1881. He was educated in private school attending kindergarten at the age of 3 years. He graduated from Bingham School, Mebane, N. C. and attended Virginia Military School. His businesses were mercantile and book-keeping. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, of the Masonic order and the Knights of Pythias.

He was married to Miss Carrie Crush of Newcastle, Va. He is survived by his mother, a daughter, Mrs. Bain M. Hickman, two sons Colie Robert Clark and Edwin Green Clark, a grandson, Edwin Green Clark, junior all of Weldon, also four sisters, Misses Eunice Jordan Clark and Elizabeth Jane Clark of Weldon, Mrs. Grady Edwards of Seaboard, Mrs. Frank Saunders of Lumberton, four brothers, Edwin Clark of Weldon, Harry Samuel Clark of Weldon, Elliott Bynum Clark of Norfolk, Va., Dr. Robert Clark of Chapel Hill.

The funeral services were conducted from the Weldon Methodist Church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Rev. D. R. Cox and burial followed in his section in Cedarwood cemetery.

Former Weldon Doctor Commissioned In The U. S. Army

Dr. H. T. Ivey has been commissioned a Major in the Army Medical Corps and assigned to duty at Legion, Texas.

MACK HARRIS IN HOLLYWOOD

Having served for 14 months on overseas duty as an aerial photographer of the United States Army Air Corps, Cpl. Mack Harris, Jr., is now stationed with the First Motion Picture Unit as an assistant motion picture cameraman.

The unit to which he is now attached specializes in producing training programs of the Army Air Corps and also releases numerous propaganda films. To date only one short feature has been given a civilian screening, as all pictures made are exclusively for use of the Air Corps.

According to Cpl. Harris, the Unit is located in quarters formerly occupied by the Hal Roach Studios. All equipment used by this former concern is at the disposal of the Air Corps Unit. Stationed at the studios are many service men, who have had much experience in different phases of the Motion Picture field.

Cpl. Harris, who recently visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Harris here, has served in the Asiatic and American theatres of war, the latter including Panama and territory in South America.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A Proclamation

WHEREAS the war has entered a decisive stage requiring the fullest measure of individual sacrifice;

WHEREAS the American National Red Cross is an auxiliary to the United States armed forces and, as such, is providing indispensable service to our troops throughout the world as well as to their families at home;

WHEREAS these wartime activities, including the collection of lifesaving blood for the wounded, recreation work in military hospitals, provision of aid to families of servicemen, shipment of food parcels to prisoners of war, production of surgical dressings, operation of overseas clubs and recreation centers and recruitment of Army and Navy nurses, all combine to save countless lives, restore hope and provide comfort for our fighting men;

WHEREAS, through its vast network of local chapters, this agency of our people simultaneously conducts an extensive program of training and community service, while continuing with traditional efficiency to lessen the distress of those overwhelmed by disaster; and

WHEREAS this agency is wholly dependent upon individual support and personal participation and is issuing its 1944 appeal to the entire citizenship for a minimum War Fund of \$200,000,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America and President of the American National Red Cross, do hereby designate the month beginning March 1, 1944, as "Red Cross Month" and earnestly beseech my fellow Americans to observe it by opening their hearts to this humanitarian appeal in order that we may keep the Red Cross at the side of our fighting men and their dependents in their hour of greatest need.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the city of Washington this 19th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-eighth.

By the President:
Franklin D. Roosevelt,
Cordell Hull
Secretary of State.

VITAMIN A

The War Food Administration is assigning about 40 percent of the available vitamin A to enrichment of poultry feeds. This vitamin supply will come back in the 45 billion eggs allowed civilians in 1944.

COTTON

Every soldier requires 250 pounds of cotton, or about 10 times what the average civilian wears. "King cotton has gone to war."



1944 WAR FUND

This year, with service flags in windows of nearly every home, Red Cross will mean so much more to Americans. As depicted in this reproduction of a 1944 Red Cross War Fund poster, many windows also will display the symbol of participation in the cause of Mercy and Humanity—the Red Cross.

Red Cross Asks \$200,000,000 To Cover Wartime Needs

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Confronted with responsibilities of unprecedented proportions, as the war enters its most crucial stage, and with a staggering task ahead in the post-war period, the American Red Cross opens its 1944 War Fund appeal March 1, confident that the American people will respond to the limit of their ability.

President Roosevelt, president of the American Red Cross, Norman H. Davis, chairman and active head of the vast organization, and Leon Fraser, national War Fund chairman, join in urging the people of this country to help Red Cross reach its national objective of \$200,000,000 because of the vital part it must play within the next twelve months.

Chairman Davis, in opening the campaign, will stress the fact that with the decisive stage of the war at hand, the Red Cross must assume a greater burden than ever before, and at the same time must provide aid to servicemen being returned in ever-increasing numbers.

Red Cross operations over the entire world during 1943 have dwarfed its activities during the first two years of war.

An even greater burden will be placed on Red Cross services in 1944.

Thousands of American men and women are now in Red Cross service with U. S. troops at home bases and overseas. Field directors, hospital, club and recreation workers are with American armed forces in virtually every command, Mr. Davis asserted.

Both in Europe and in the Far East, Red Cross workers have either gone with invasion forces into new combat areas, or have followed within a very limited time.

On the home front, the Red Cross has broadened its service

tremendously. Field directors are serving in every sizable military establishment and camp throughout the country, and recreation and social service workers are located in Army and Naval hospitals.

One of the most important and necessary war-time Red Cross functions has been the collection of human blood for plasma. Thirty-five blood donor stations are now operating.

The dramatic story of the Red Cross Blood Donor Service, through which thousands of soldiers and sailors have been saved from death, began in February, 1941, when the Surgeons General of the Army and Navy asked the Red Cross to procure 15,000 pints of blood. Last year more than 3,700,000 pints of blood were collected for the Army and Navy. This year the goal is more than 5,000,000 pints.

With major battles of the war yet to come, the Army has asked the Red Cross to supply many millions of surgical dressings. American men wounded in battle will depend acutely on the vast Red Cross surgical dressing production program.

Numerous other Red Cross home operations, such as Prisoner of War packaging centers, where more than a million parcels for war prisoners are prepared each month for shipment overseas, are supported by citizen-participation in the Red Cross War Fund.

So extensive is Red Cross service during this war that every American civilian can contribute something to at least one of its functions. To continue this gigantic work, all Americans must assume their share of the responsibility of carrying on this far-reaching service.

The \$200,000,000 quota will enable Red Cross to alleviate suffering and pain at home and abroad, and to carry on its vast military welfare service.

Local Marine Returns From War Zone

Camp Elliott, San Diego, California—Recently returned from two months duty at Bougainville where he participated in the initial landing, Marine First Sergeant James L. Barnes, son of Mrs. F. B. Clary, Weldon, N. C., is now on duty here.

Before serving in the Pacific area he spent a year in Iceland. His wife, is the former Dorothy Griswold of Chicago.

Survivors include one son, John Brown, who is with the armed forces, three daughters, Mrs. Kate Midgette, Mrs. Rufus Starke and Mrs. J. L. Ranson all of Roanoke Rapids, four grandchildren, one great grand-child and also one brother, Noah Brown of Suffolk, Va.

MOTION PICTURES

Richard J. Reynolds of Winston Salem has presented 3 motion pictures on canning, swine production and farm machinery to the State College Extension Service to help in the war effort. Other pictures are planned.

THIS COUNTY AMONG LEADERS IN INFANTILE PARALYSIS DRIVE

Mrs. W. A. Myrick

Mrs. W. A. Myrick, 72, died at her home here Sunday, February 10th following a heart attack. The body was taken to her former home near Warrenton where funeral services were conducted from the Warren Plains Methodist Church Tuesday afternoon by the Rev. R. E. Brickhouse. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, W. A. Myrick, a daughter Mrs. Elizabeth Joyner and four grandchildren, all of Weldon; three step-children, Mrs. W. L. Feltz and Manson Myrick of Wise and James T. Myrick of Portsmouth, Va.

Halifax County Boy Is Commissioned

Charles House Taylor, of Thelma North Carolina, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Ivey of Legion Texas, has been commissioned a second Lieutenant in the Army Air Forces following graduation from the Officer Candidate School at Miami Beach, Fla. He is now stationed at Spence Field, Georgia as classification and assignment officer. Prior to entering OCS Lt. Taylor was an instructor at the Air Corps Technical School, Denver, Colorado, he is a graduate of Duke University.

Cucumber Growing Essential Activity

The picking industry is regarded as an essential activity and cucumbers raised for pickling and food processing may be counted toward agricultural deferment, the Halifax County War Board was notified this week by the United States Department of Agriculture War Board.

This activity is restricted for deferment purposes to the Coastal Plain area, but Halifax County is classified in this group for Agricultural Deferment purposes, it was stated at the County Agent's Office. The ruling on the cucumber growing matter is as follows:

"National Headquarters has advised that cucumbers raised for pickling and food processing may be counted towards an agricultural deferment. The Farm Extension Service and the USDA War Board advise that this activity is restricted to the Coastal Plain area. Any county within this area, as outlined for 12 to 14 units in the map attached to our Circular Letter No. 363, may count cucumbers raised for sale to the pickling industry at the rate of one unit per acre of cucumbers raised specifically for that purpose."

RECORDERS COURT NEWS

David Wienstock, white of Brooklyn, N. Y., charged with illegal possession of liquor was found not guilty.

Rufus Locko, colored of Oak City plead guilty of driving while drunk and was fined \$50 and costs. License revoked for 12 months.

Gaston Rogers, white entered a plea of guilty to reckless driving which was accepted and prayer for judgment continued on payment of the costs and good behavior for two years.

Mannie L. Lawrence, colored of Newport News was found guilty of non-support and was given 8 months on the roads, suspended upon payment of the costs and on condition he pay on or before Monday of each week the sum of \$12 for support of his minor children.

Sam Jones, colored of Scotland Neck plead guilty of indecent exposure and was given 4 months on the roads.

Floyd Jones, white of Roanoke Rapids plead guilty of speeding and prayer for judgment continued on payment of a fine of \$35, and the costs and on further condition he voluntarily surrender his operators license for four months and during period he is to refrain from the operation of any motor vehicle.

Worth David Shuskey and Annie Cooper white, charged with fornication, the prayer for judgment continued as to Annie Cooper and Shuskey was given six months on the roads.

Alex Evans, colored, charged with speeding, prayer for judgment continued on payment of the costs.

This county is among 91 in the State that have or exceeded their quotas in the Infantile Paralysis drive which closed recently. It was announced this week by Robert W. Madry of Chapel Hill, State Publicity Chairman.

The latest total amount reported for the State this year is \$158,942 against a state quota of \$88,348.

Guilford and Durham Counties are in a neck and neck race for State leadership, each reporting more than \$10,000 raised to date. Final figures will not be known for several days yet, Mr. Madry said.

On a basis of population, chief honors go to Graham County which has reported \$2,840. Graham's quota was \$581. Dr. Nettie C. Parrette was chairman.

Carteret County went over the top more than four times by raising \$2,159.82, its quota being \$516. Mayor G. M. Paul, Beaufort, was chairman.

Henderson County more than quadrupled its quota of \$485, raising a total of \$1,978.45. Everett Huggins was chairman.

Five counties more than tripled their quotas; Currituck, Mrs. C. H. Forbes, chairman; Gaston, H. Rex Edison, chairman; Hertford, Eddie Cason, chairman; Onslow, Rev. Leon Gray, chairman; Scotland, E. M. Matthews and M. M. Fairley, co-chairman.

"All reports are not final," said Publicity Chairman Madry, "North Carolina has already contributed in the last two years to the fight against Infantile Paralysis, under the chairmanship of Dr. Ralph McDonald, \$247,330.09. This is \$145,161 more than the State had given to this cause during the first eight years of the campaigns."

"The people of North Carolina, under the magnificent leadership of these chairmen and their committees have established a record which will undoubtedly place this State among the foremost in the nation for the second successive year," he said.

Twenty two counties doubled their quotas by a generous margin. Several came close to raising three times their quotas. The counties and their chairmen are:

Alamance, Clyde A. King; Bladen, J. W. Cross; Catawba, Judge John W. Aiken; Chowan, J. Edwin Rufflap; Dare, Martin Kellogg, Jr.; Duplin, Paul F. Edmond; Durham, Claude Hull; Guilford, Paul W. Schenck, Jr.; Halifax, W. Graham Lynch; Haywood, Jonathan H. Woody; Johnston, J. Elton Mitchiner; Lee, Mrs. Glenn Bachman; Lincoln, Dr. L. A. Crowell, Jr.; Macon, Benny McGlamery; Martin, L. B. Wynnd; Northampton, Mrs. E. L. Norton.

UNION SERVICE SUNDAY NIGHT

The local churches will unite in a service to be held Sunday evening, February 27 at 7:30 in Grace Episcopal Church. This will be a fellowship service among the churches to welcome to our midst the Rev. D. L. Fouts, the new pastor of the Weldon Methodist Church.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend this service.

J. D. Walker

Littleton—Funeral services for J. D. Walker, 75, who died at his home in the Interprise Church community near here Tuesday morning were conducted from Interprise Baptist Church Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with interment in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mattie Walker, five daughters, Mrs. Davie L. Newsome of Littleton, Mrs. Johnnie Newsome of Roanoke Rapids, Mrs. Nellie Wheeler of Conway, Mrs. Lucy Allen of Danville, Va., and Mrs. Fowler of Durham and three sons, Howard and Ernest Walker of Littleton and Johnnie Walker of Roanoke Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Christanson of Philadelphia were guests of Mrs. Christenson's mother, Mrs. H. V. Pope last week.

CALCIUM

Keep an eye on calcium, is the advise of food nutritionists to 1944 gardeners and family meal planners. Calcium is likely to be short when a family's meals are otherwise up to good nutrition standards.

The Home Sphere

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Those Cabbage: Cabbages are now a victory food. They are abundant and nutritious. At the raw in slaw and salads cooked but do not over cook. Cooking too long destroys much of the food value and lowers digestibility. How about home made kraut? Cabbage should be kraut during the abundant season and canned before the hot days of summer. Or kraut may be made in a jar and when the fermentation is complete the jar may be sealed. In this section uncanned kraut does not satisfactorily carry through our long hot summers.

With war restrictions, especially milk and cheese, all families do not have a milk cow need watch the intake of food calcium. The daily use of sufficient milk and cheese for drinking and cooking will take care of calcium needs. Bones and teeth must have mineral and the blood and nerves need small quantities.

The Bureau of Human Nutrition suggests that if the family use of milk is limited you need to do these things: 1st-use liberal amounts of fresh vegetables, such as greens. These greens may be headed lettuce and cabbage, stard, turnips, broccoli, collards, kale. 2nd-Other foods containing calcium are dried beans, beans, eggs and molasses, not up. 3rd-Eat liberally of calcium rich foods when they are available and your body will store calcium for future use.

You Encourage Others --

Many people have faint hearts when it comes to starting Victory gardens this year because they had a lack last year with the drought. It is up to those of us who know that it is more necessary than ever to produce our own food to encourage those around to garden again this year. A friendly, neighborly encouragement will often do more than any outsider is able to accomplish. Seeing that all our neighbors have good gardens is one way you can show your patriotism. Perhaps they are not as good gardeners as you are and do not know all the secrets. Your garden is a living example and model. How much influence do you have?

The Bugs --

Clean garden spot now with fewer bugs, insects and diseases next summer. All old vegetable stalks, grass and weeds should be cleaned up and burned. This means all around the edges of fences also. However, if you do not do this, the insects will come off all this vegetable matter and must add something to the soil to take its place. A good garden soil contains a large amount of well rotted vegetable matter. This may be obtained from compost and well rotted stable manure. Vegetable matter in the soil keeps it soft and pliable and moisture both of which are important in a garden. Going back to insects, each one killed now means many less to contend with next summer when the days are long and hot.

Club --

Tillery Home Demonstration Club has turned in 13 pairs of hospital bed room shoes for Red Cross Hospitals, at the War Club Meeting. The material as well as the work on shoes was donated by club members. The bedroom shoes are knitted by other members are knitted by the Red Cross. Mrs. H. B. Ivey is president of this Club. Mrs. E. S. Fulghum is secretary. Mrs. Anna Draper turned in Red Cross work than any other member. The work on small group should be an incentive to others.

Ms. Pearl Richards

Bass

Pearl Richards Bass, 59, at her home in Halifax on Monday night after a lingering illness. Funeral services were conducted from St. Marks Episcopal Church in Halifax Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Rev. D. R. Cox and burial followed in his section in Cedarwood cemetery.

Bass was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Richards of Halifax. She is survived by her husband Walter G. Bass, daughter, Mrs. Jack Eason, sons Jack Bass, all of Halifax and Walter G. Bass of Richmond, Va., also one brother G. W. of Petersburg, Va., and grandchildren.