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Looking Over Our District's Health

BY DR. W. K. McDOWELL, Health Officer

Just a few days ago there was a "mad" dog in our health district. The dog was killed in Tarboro, and his head was sent to the State Laboratory of Hygiene and found to be infected with Rabies...

Rabies, or hydrophobia is caused by a disease agent called a "virus". This virus attacks the brain and spinal cord. It is spread mainly by the bite of infected dogs, cats, cows, horses, coyotes, goats, sheep, skunks, wolves, squirrels, and other warm-blooded animals...

The length of time it takes after infection for the virus to reach the brain and produce the symptoms of rabies is called the "incubation period." The average period of incubation in man is from fifty to sixty days...

Not every one develops rabies after a rabid animal bite or after wound contact with the saliva of a rabid animal. But no one who has once shown symptoms of rabies has ever recovered. The disease is one hundred per cent fatal, both for man and beast.

The fact that it usually takes a comparatively long time for rabies to develop makes possible the prevention of the disease after the virus has entered the body. The protective measure used is a series of inoculations with weakened rabies virus...

In all cases of animal bite, wash the wound under running water to remove the animal's saliva. Then send for a physician as quickly as possible to have the wound thoroughly cleaned out and other needed treatment given.

You are being asked to cooperate with your health department in controlling rabies. These rules are for the protection of your pets and farm animals, but what is more important, they are for the protection of your family and neighbors...

Ration Calendar Of June 1st - 10th.

Canning Sugar--Sugar stamp No. 40 good for five pounds of canning sugar until February 28th, 1945. Apply to local boards for supplemental rations.

Fuel Oil--Period four and five fuel coupons good through September 30. During October unused coupons may be exchanged at rationing boards for new 1944-45 heating season coupons.

Gasoline--A-10 coupons now valid and will expire August 8th.

Meats and Fats--Red A-8 thru T-8 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each, for use with tickets. Good indefinitely. Stamps U8, V8 and W8 become valid on June 1.

Processed Foods--Blue A8 thru Q8 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each, for use with tokens. RS through VS become valid June 1. All are good indefinitely.

Rent Control--All persons renting, or offering for rent, any living quarters whatsoever must register each dwelling unit with rent control office in their rent area. In counties not under rent control, persons who feel that they are being overcharged for rents may submit complaints to OPA on complaint forms which are available at the local War Price and Rationing Board.

Shoes--Airplane stamp No. 1 and No. 2 (Book 3) valid indefinitely.

Sugar--Sugar stamp No. 39 and No. 31 (Book 4) good for five pounds indefinitely.

Miss Julia D. Hunter

Funeral services were conducted for Miss Julia Deane Hunter on Saturday at 3:30 P. M. at the home of her brother, K. R. Hunter, Beulaville, N. C., by the Rev. Ernest Gresham Burial Grounds, one of the historical landmarks of the community, dating back to 1787.

Miss Hunter was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hunter of near Beulaville, N. C. She was a member of the Cedar Park Baptist Church and although an inactive member, having suffered from Palsy, for a number of years, she was an example of the Christian virtues of faith, patience and endurance.

She is survived by two brothers, K. R. Hunter, with whom she made her home, William Hunter, Beulaville, N. C. Two sisters, Mrs. J. H. Wilkins, Elizabeth City, N. C. and Mrs. J. R. Crew, Sr., Weldon, N. C.

Church School Starts June 12th.

A Vacation Church School will be held at the Weldon Methodist Church for boys and girls of the community between the ages of 4 and 15. The session will begin on Monday, June 12th and continue for two weeks from Monday through Friday from 9 a. m. to 11 a. m.

Urges Travellers To Stay At Home

The Travelers Aid Society of San Diego, California is asking the Red Cross to cooperate in urging non-essential visitors to stay at home for the duration as the influx of war workers and civilians associated with the Armed Forces has been so marked that hundreds of people have been unable to obtain housing accommodations.

Miss Frances Jennings has returned from Greensboro to spend the summer with her mother Mrs. Foster Jennings.



Clyde R. Hoey



Gregg Cherry

Cherry, Hoey, Kerr, Ballentine And Mitchell Led In Primary On Saturday

MEADE MITCHELL AND JOHN DAVIS WIN IN ONLY TWO COUNTY RACES.

By the smallest total vote in any State primary since 1920 -- first year of woman suffrage -- the Democrats of North Carolina Saturday nominated a governor by a big majority as was ever accorded any candidate for that office.

Gregg Cherry won over Ralph McDonald in the race for governor or by a wide majority while former governor Clyde R. Hoey gained a landslide vote over Cameron Morrison of Charlotte in the Senate race.

Halifax County voters gave majorities to all of the candidates who won in the State-wide races. Judge John H. Kerr defeated Cameron Weeks in Saturday's Primary for the office of Member of the U. S. House of Representatives.

In the only two races for county offices Meade H. Mitchell defeated Allen Pierce for County Commissioner from the Weldon-Faucetts District, and John Davis of Enfield won over M. W. Perry of Halifax for County Commissioner from the Enfield - Halifax District.

During the last nine years, the REA through Federal loans has brought electric power to more than 39,000 rural consumers in the state. D. S. Weaver of the Agricultural Engineering Department says.

CRIPPLE FUND REPORT

Report from the Halifax County Division of the North Carolina League for Crippled Children, of funds collected during the recent campaign:

Table with 2 columns: Location and Amount. Includes Weldon, Littleton, Roanoke Rapids, Enfield, Scotland Neck, Halifax, Aurelian Springs, Hobgood, Darlington, Holister, Hardaway, Ringwood, and County Colored Schools.

Total collections \$1221.97 Mailing expense 25.45

Total \$1196.52 50 per cent of the above amount is retained in the County, and the other goes to the State League.

BERNICE HITCHENS, Chairman Halifax County Division N. C. League for Crippled Children.

RATION STAMP CHANGE

Raleigh, May 30th--B-2 and O-2 gasoline ration coupons the old type B and C rations, without serial numbers--will be invalid for use by retail buyers on and after June 1st, Theodore S. Johnson district director of the Raleigh Office of Price Administration, announced.

All Are Urged To Attend The County Typhoid Clinic

J. R. Bradley

Seaboard--Funeral services for J. R. Bradley, 76, who died Wednesday night after a lingering illness were held at Seaboard Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, with the pastor, the Rev. C. H. Trueblood, officiating and the Rev. J. T. Robinson of the Methodist Church assisting. Burial was in the town cemetery.

Mr. Bradley was a life long resident of Northampton County. Until his health failed seven years ago, he was actively affiliated with the business, civic, and church life of the community, as senior member of the firm of Bradley and Harris, as committeeman of the local school, as town commissioner, and as deacon in his church.

Surviving are his wife; four children, Mrs. Herbert E. Roensch of Belleville, Texas, Edith Bradley of Seaboard and Williamston, Mrs. Glenn Fleetwood of Front Royal, Va., and James R. Bradley, Jr., of Seaboard and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Cookie M. Stainback

Mrs. Cookie Medlin Stainback died in a Richmond Hospital on Thursday night. The body was brought here Saturday night and funeral services were conducted from the Rowe Funeral Home on Sunday afternoon by the Rev. D. L. Fouts. Burial followed in Cedarwood cemetery.

Mrs. Stainback was a native of Weldon but had made her home in Richmond for a number of years. She was the daughter of the late G. Frank and Pattie Bishop Medlin.

Survivors include two sons, Peter F. Stainback of New Jersey and Charlie Bishop Stainback of Richmond, Va., also one sister Mrs. Eunice M. Trueblood and a brother, Charlie B. Medlin both of Richmond, Va.

PROMOTED

Cullen A. Mitchell, son of Mrs. Ella Mitchell of Weldon, has been promoted to the rank of Private First Class in the United States Army. Pfc. Mitchell is now stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

The attendance at the Weldon typhoid fever clinic has proved to be very disappointing, according to Dr. W. K. McDowell, Health Officer. Every citizen is urged to attend the clinic today, Friday, June 2, at 10:00 A. M. This Health District, made up of Edgecombe and Halifax Counties, has already reported one case of typhoid fever this year. Today we should be free from this plague, which only a few years ago took a great toll of lives.

You are urged to cooperate with your Health Department by attending the clinic. If you were given three doses last year, you will need only one this year. If you did not take typhoid fever vaccination last year you will need three doses this year with one dose as a booster each year thereafter.

Mayor Caswell Shaw of Halifax reports that the town has voted to have a rodent control program according to Dr. H. Moody, local sanitarian. Roanoke Rapids and Scotland Neck have asked for a similar program.

Red Squill, a rat poison, has been ordered, Mr. Hinton, sanitarian from the State Board of Health, will assist with the program which will be conducted during the latter part of June.

The rat is a public enemy of first importance, a perennially potential menace to public health and a saboteur that in the United States, destroys every year the fruits of the labors of 265,000 farmers, she whose annual upkeep would feed an army of 200,000 men.

Bubonic Plague and Typhus Fever are the most dreaded of rat-borne diseases. These rodents are also reservoirs of trichinosis, rabite fever and infectious jaundice, and spread the germs commonly found in food poisoning outbreaks. Even though no question of public health was involved, it would still be folly to tolerate rats. E-e-o-n-e-e-a-l-l-y, they constitute one of the most serious drains upon a community's resources. It is estimated that one rat will eat or destroy about \$22.00 worth of food a year.

The Edgecombe-Halifax District Health Department will go on the air over Station W. C. B. 1, at 1:45 Wednesday, June 7th. This is the first in a series of weekly programs, the purpose of which, according to Dr. W. K. McDowell, Health Officer, is to acquaint the people with the health problems of our district. They will be both educational and entertaining.

The first program will be on tuberculosis, one of the leading problems in our district, according to Dr. McDowell. "We have one of the highest death rates from tuberculosis in the country--fifty one people in this Health District having died of tuberculosis during the past year," added Dr. McDowell.

Mrs. R. C. Josoy of Scotland Neck, president of the Halifax County Tuberculosis Association, Mrs. B. B. Everett of Palmyra, program chairman of the County Tuberculosis Association, and Mrs. D. L. Wheeler of Roanoke Rapids, Halifax County Seal Sale Chairman, will take parts on the program.

The second program, Wednesday, June 14, at 1:45, will also be on tuberculosis. The symptoms cure and prevention will be brought out through a question and answer forum. Mrs. Lillie Lee, Halifax County Sanatorium Nurse, Mrs. Quentin Gregory and Mrs. V. C. Matthews of Halifax will take part on this program.

LARD OFF RATIONING

Raleigh, May 30th--Because the present supply is deemed adequate to meet all civilian needs the Office of Price Administration has removed all rationing restrictions from lard. Theodore S. Johnson, district director of the Raleigh OPA announced.

As a result of the action, all restrictions on the amount of lard that may be obtained by industrial or institutional users were removed, and all record keeping and reporting requirements under OPA regulations were eliminated Johnson said.

Mrs. N. J. Shepherd and Miss Susan Shepherd have left to spend a month with Capt. and Mrs. J. T. Dover, Jr., at Camp Hood, Texas.

HOW HALIFAX COUNTY VOTED

Large table showing voting results by precinct for various offices: United States Senate, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Member of Congress, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, and County Commissioners for Weldon-Faucetts and Enfield-Halifax Districts.