

FOR THE PEOPLE

By Tom Wicker
State Dept. of Public Welfare

Dr. Miles set the broken bone in the old man's leg with sure skill. It was not a serious break, but the young doctor was worried. The man was sixty years old and in obviously poor physical condition, ill-fed and rundown. His clothing was shabby.

In addition, he was suffering from a bad cold. Dr. Miles feared that the cold, together with his poor condition, and the shock and weakening brought on by the broken leg, might develop into pneumonia. Hospitalization seemed definitely called for. As he finished his work on the leg, he pondered the problem. The old man no money, no family, no friends. It was too much to hope that he might have hospital insurance.

So Dr. Miles picked up his telephone and put in a call for the county department of public welfare. Would they be able to provide hospital care for the old man? He could certify the medical need for it, and he believed that the welfare department would find that the old man was unable to pay for himself. The department answered that they had funds for no money for his own care each a purpose if the man had and that he could be taken care of at a local hospital. He was taken there and the care he received prevented further serious complications from developing and enabled him to leave the hospital in better shape than he had been in before his accident.

Such services to needy citizens cost the 100 counties of North Carolina \$1,108,000 during the fiscal year 1949-50. The expenditure of this sum provided medical care and hospitalization for nearly 38,000 Tar Heels who needed help in regaining their health. These figures, reported to the State Board of Public Welfare, point up one fact sharply: medical care and hospitalization are provided for more and more needy people in North Carolina, despite ever-increasing costs.

In 1940-41, the counties spent \$321,000 for about 25,000 people for medical care and hospitalization. (The fact the increase in the number of cases served by 1950 has been far less, in proportion, than has the increase in the cost of providing care, is due to rising costs to medical care and hospitalization. The expenditure per case, in the same period, rose from \$12.69 to \$29.58.)

These statistics reflect the increased effort made by boards of county commissioners throughout the state to appropriate funds to county departments of public welfare for the medical care and hos-

pital needs of indigent citizens. They are an apt comment on North Carolina's increased consciousness and its increased willingness to meet those through public health and public welfare services.

In all the counties, the provision of medical care and hospitalization is at least in part a responsibility of the county department of public welfare. Methods of handling the program vary but the usual plan is for the county department of public welfare, no matter what payment or auditing system is used, to certify the need of a citizen to receive such service at county expense. Quite often welfare departments make the needed arrangements to get the person into the hospital, or under the care of a doctor, sometimes actually providing the transportation to get him there. In many other cases, welfare department case workers help the patient to make plans for the time when they will no longer need care. Often they must arrange a medical examination to assure that hospitalization or treatment is actually needed.

Thus, from the figures which have been quoted, it can be seen that here is another department of public welfare responsibility, another service for the people, which is increasing. In becoming a part of North Carolina's program of strengthening its population, of helping people to help themselves, the willingness shown by the counties of the state to make provisions for the medical and hospital care of those who cannot provide it for themselves not only reflects credit upon the humanitarianism of those counties, but may be expected to result in a stronger county and a stronger state—through a stronger people.

FALKLAND

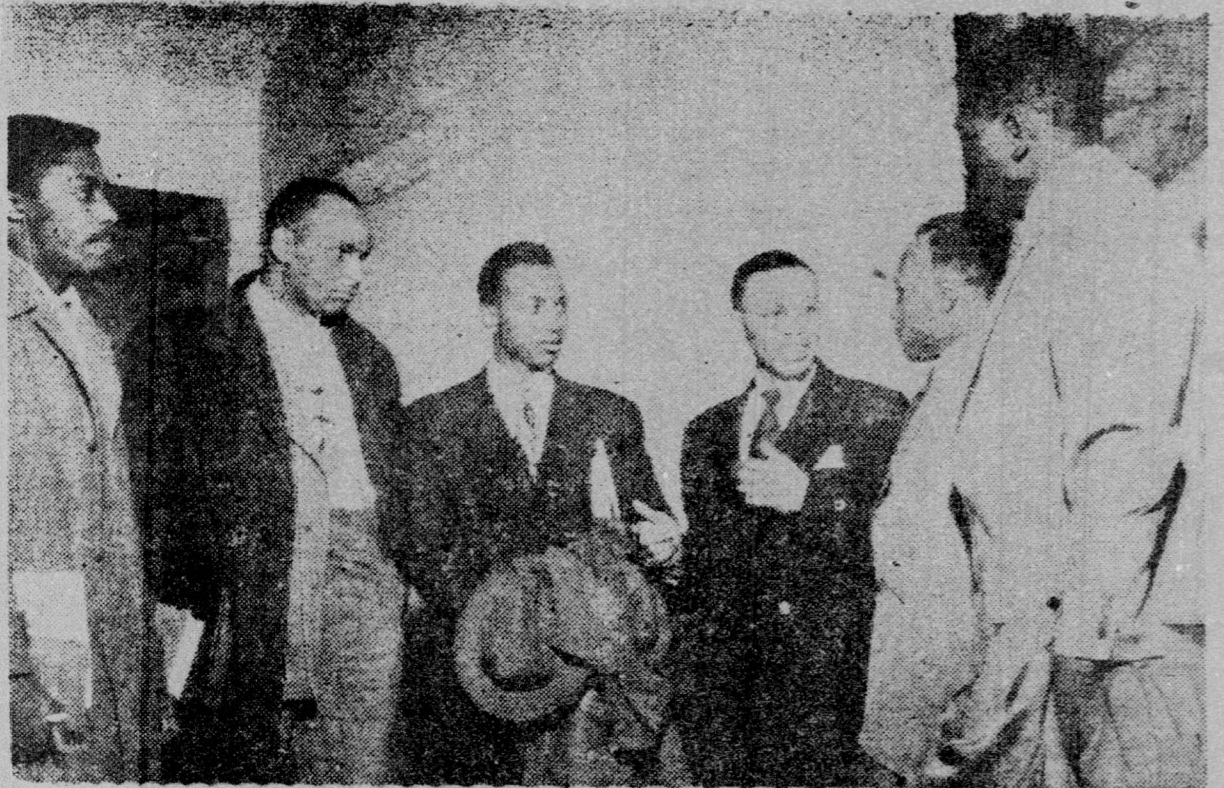
FALKLAND—Regular monthly meeting services were held at St. John Baptist Church April 7-8. Rev. T. T. Shivers, pastor.

An interesting program was given at St. John Baptist Church on Sunday night, April 8.

Mrs. Dora B. Robinson of Rocky Mount, N. C. visits relatives and friends here recently.

A meeting is slated for the newly organized club known as United Brothers Cheerful Giver Club Friday night, April 13 at 7:30 at the Falkland School.

Meat production under Federal inspection for the last week in March totaled 289 million pounds.



N. C. C. PACIFIC G. I.'S HEAR OF KOREAN FIGHTING—War correspondent Jimmy Hicks, third from right is shown here recently with five North Carolina College students who

are veterans of the Pacific campaign in World War II. Hicks was an Army captain in the Pacific in the last war. N. C. C.'s Pacific veterans are left to right, Arthur Smith, Durham; Edward

Brown, Cowpens, S. C.; Ruben Weston, Winston-Salem; Mr. Hicks; Chester W. Gregory, La-Grange; and James Wright, Charlotte. (Stanback Photo)

Red Springs Hi Lights

By MRS. BESSIE LOVE
RED SPRINGS—Regular services were held at the Second Presbyterian Church, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock with the pastor, Rev. A. M. Simpson using for his text, Psalms 22:1.

He preached a wonderful sermon which was enjoyed by all. The members and friends were very glad to see Mrs. Simpson and to know that her mother, Mrs. W. J. Smith of Charlotte, N. C. has slightly improved.

The Missionary Society met with Mrs. G. R. Harrington Sunday afternoon, April 1st at 3 o'clock with the President, Mrs. Cora B. Carmichael, presiding. After the business was ended, Mrs. Harrington opened the topic, "Why the letters were not written" which was greatly enjoyed by all.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Harrington served a delicious lemon pie, mints and drinks. The next meeting will be with Mrs. A. M. McLean on May 6 at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Lillie Mae McRae remains in Washington, D. C. because of the serious illness of her husband, Mr. Booker T. McRae.

Friends of Mrs. Nola Wade will learn with regret of her serious illness.

Mrs. Elizabeth Allen has returned to Pittsburgh, Pa. after a visit with her sister, Mrs. Estelle McNeill and other relatives.

Miss Annie B. McCaskill has returned to Brooklyn, N. Y. after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. McCaskill. Miss McCaskill's grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Lide accompanied her.

Mrs. Jessie McCallum and Mr.

and Mrs. D. P. Searlock visited their mother, Mrs. Mary R. Smith recently.

Passion week services, under the auspices of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance were held at the Jones Chapel Baptist Church the week of March 19, 1951.

Miss Martha F. Shaw has returned to A. and T. College after spending the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Shaw.

JOHNSON CHAPEL CHURCH NEWS

RED SPRINGS, N. C.—The Missionary Circle of Johnson Chapel Church sponsored a program and ten virgin rally March 18, 1951.

Johnson Chapel Baptist Church choir furnished the music.

Scripture reading by Mrs. Hattie McLinniam; prayer by Mr. C. Morrison. Welcome address, Mrs. Sarah C. Kay, paper, Miss Doretha McCallum, Solo, Mrs. Rosa Lynch. Five selections by the Five Queens of Harmony of St. James AMEZ Church.

Talk by Mr. Charles Felix; paper by Mrs. Susie Viner. Selection by the Red Springs quartet. Remarks by Mr. R. L. Teasley of Wade, N. C. The Virgins then marched in with lighted candles and made their report.

Mrs. Opabella Monroe, \$33.00; Mrs. Martha McLinniam, \$25.26; Mrs. Catherine McLean, 19.25; Mrs. Rebba Wade, \$17.41;

GOOSENECK NEWS

By F. J. CHADWICK
JACKSONVILLE—Our office machine to begin our \$300.00 campaign drive has been set. Miss Annie Shepard, social party captain and Mrs. Everette Marshall, secretary for the Marshall Chapel section who are members of the Marshall Chapel Baptist Church, Mrs. Mary E. Boone, member of the Kellumtown Baptist Church is in charge of the Kellumtown section.

The April Session of the Onslow County Choir Union is scheduled for Sunday, April 15th at the Washington Chapel Baptist Church located two miles east of Jacksonville on highway 24 known as Dew Drop Inn. The public is cordially invited.

Mrs. Addie Ambrose has placed her name on our files to operate the Goose Neck Park which is scheduled to open Wednesday, May 30th. For year, serving sandwiches be sure to stop by our place Friday night April 20. Free slices to cake. Be sure to come, you might be the one to get the lucky number for the chicken. The price is 10 cent and you can buy as many as you like. The lucky number is 333311.

Our paper customers living near Piney Green and Kellumtown are Mrs. Lucy Chadwick and Mr. John

Washington. Mrs. Chadwick is one of our old Wilmington Journal customers. The papers will be delivered again Saturday by F. J.

Our Paper Club is progressing rapidly by our readers joining for 25 cent in order to get their paper each week for 9 cents per copy. Each member will get an additional free copy once per month. The name of persons receiving their copy for April will appear in our next issue.

Light our nylon points and his number have been discontinued. Your better chance now is your next pair of nylon purchase will be accepted as your joining fee in our Nylon Club with a 25 percent discount and all others you pay cash. Be sure to join our Nylon Club.

Keep reading the news each week. So until — see you next week.

As recently as 1945, the use of chemicals for weed control in agriculture was highly restricted. Last year farmers applied herbicides to more than 20 million acres of cropland in the United States.

Saturday and Sunday remain the most dangerous days of the week in traffic.

VANDER NEWS

By MRS. MITTIE McLAURIN
The choir, members and friends of the Lock Creek AME Zion Church highly enjoyed a thirty-five pound cake which was won on a singing contest held at the Cedar Creek Baptist Church on April 8.

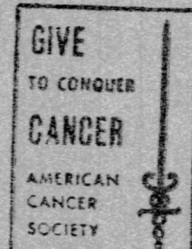
The choir on the contest were the Lock Creek Choir of Vander, the Savannah Choir of Savannah and the Johnson Star Choir of Samburg, N. C.

Mrs. Margaret Evans of Washington, D. C. spent two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Annie McMillan of Vander.

Mrs. Rosa Lynch, \$17.14; Mrs. Hattie McLinniam, 14.65; Miss Doretha McCallum, \$13.00; Miss Kattie Jones, \$11.56; Mrs. Sussie Viner, 10.83; Mrs. Mary Lee Ferguson, \$6.00; Total raised through this effort \$168.12. Remarks by the pastor, Rev. C. D. Smith. Sponsor, Mrs. Catherine McLean. Pastor, Rev. C. D. Smith. Secy., Mrs. Mattie Stackhouse.

Cancer Cure Key: Early Diagnosis

The key to curability of cancer lies in early diagnosis of the disease when it is localized. Responsibility for early detection rests, in great measure, on the individual's



own recognition of warning symptoms and an immediate visit to his physician.

The 1951 Cancer Crusade of the American Cancer Society

seeks to teach every adult cancer's seven danger signals. They are:

1. Any sore that does not heal.
2. A lump or thickening in the breast or elsewhere.
3. Unusual bleeding or discharge.
4. Any change in a wart or mole.
5. Persistent indigestion or difficulty in swallowing.
6. Persistent hoarseness or cough.
7. Any change in normal bowel habits.

The appearance of any of these symptoms does not necessarily indicate cancer, but an immediate check-up by a physician is essential and will prove a sound health investment.

Expansion of the ACS education program depends on the success of the 1951 Cancer Crusade. Your dollars help guard your family. Strike back! Give to conquer cancer.

hours of darkness. Forty-two percent of last year's motor vehicle accidents involving injuries happened in the dark.

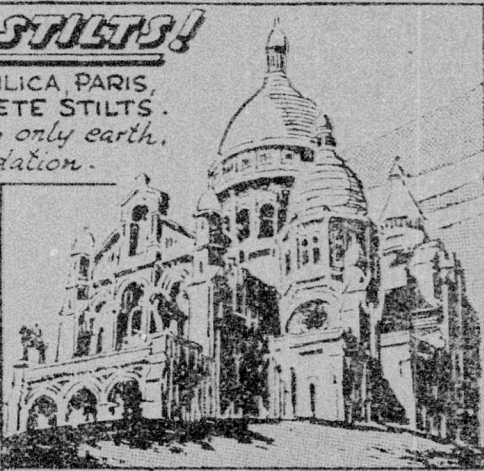
You are almost three times as likely to be killed in an automobile accident between seven and eight in the evening as you are between seven and eight in the morning.

CHURCH ON STILTS!

THE SACRE COEUR BASILICA, PARIS, stands on 83 CONCRETE STILTS. *Not a marble hill, being only earth, was insufficient foundation.*



The URSULINE ORDER,
FIRST FOR EDUCATING GIRLS (FOUNDED 1534), OPENED AMERICA'S FIRST CATHOLIC SCHOOL (QUEBEC, CIRCA 1640); FIRST IN IRELAND AFTER THE "REFORMATION" (1772); AND GAVE THE FIRST MISSIONARY NUN (Ven. Mother Mary of the Incarnation, mission to Huron Indians CANADA, 1639).



AMERICA'S FIRST TILE FACTORY was founded by FRANCISCANS in CALIFORNIA to make FIRE-PROOF TILES for the Mission roofs after hostile Indians repeatedly fired the thatching with flaming arrows.



The embalmed body of St. Adiator, 12-year old Roman Martyr, lies beneath the altar of the FRANCISCAN FRIARY, WEXFORD, EIRE. Originally in the CATACOMBS, ROME, was given to IRELAND by PIUS IX.