

Western Carolina Has Good Fund Record

Figures have been released by the Western Carolina United Fund which indicate that the Western North Carolina section was one of the most successful in the Southeast in its United Fund campaigns during the past year. The Watauga County United Fund, joining the campaign for the first time, was one of thirty-one groups in the region which paid its budgeted agencies 100% of the amount allotted to them.

The figures for one agency indicate that in four previous years of a separate campaign, the organization had never met its quota for Watauga County. Of \$11,062 attempted from 1953 to 1956, only \$7,021 could be raised by the local committee, or 63%. In 1956-57, the agency joined the United Fund, and reached 100% on its quota for the first time.

For the whole of the Carolinas, the results of United Fund campaigns were in line with results in the Boone region. North Carolina groups raised 101.7% of the total amount set for all campaigns, while South Carolina raised 102.4%.

A typical nation-wide agency reports that where it runs independent campaigns it has raised only 83% of its quotas, whereas Class II and III United Fund campaigns raised 101.4% for the same period.

According to the figures a few United campaigns miss their goals, but never by a figure as low as the independent drives cited above. Only two communities failed in Western North Carolina this year, one missing its objective by 5%, and another very small community by 20%.

Not only has the United Fund met its goals in all except a few smaller communities, but the combine campaigns in the two Carolinas have raised their budgets from \$4,530,468 in 1952 to \$8,538,678 in 1956, an increase of 95.8%.

Washington News

Washington, D. C.—President Eisenhower is now serving his last term as President and his next four years at the helm may be far more trying than the past four. Looking at the situation confronting the Chief Executive at the present time, one can see that the crossroads of his journey as President of the greatest country in the world have been reached.

This is the decisive hour for Eisenhower and history. His country is paused at the crossroads, as far as the prosperity of the nation is concerned. It has hesitated and is now about to undertake a very broad new foreign policy.

The success of the President's efforts in these two fields, domestic and international, will determine the place his administration is to be given by the history books. And the task that faces the former Supreme Commander of World War II might be equal to any he has ever undertaken.

First, the Administration has not yet solved the problem of the present higher costs and wages, which is steadily increasing inflation. Yet money has been tightened to such an extent that the little man, and big business too in many cases, are hurting. Where is the line to go from here? Will inflation and tight money continue? Will money be eased? How can the price spiral be stopped?

The President is staking much on the hope that both labor and management will go along with his sober warning to refrain from pushing the cost of living up by higher. Since he has been President, productivity has increased in industry but wages have risen almost twice as much.

And, since industry finds borrowing money for expansion and greater efficiency, and thereby lower unit-cost, hard to obtain, plant expansions, modernizations, new equipment and other moves toward greater productivity are being curtailed somewhat. This is causing some uncertainty, as a result.

The President must answer the question this situation presents in the immediate future. It is his number one domestic problem.

In the field of foreign affairs, the State Department is under attack which has not been equalled in Washington in some time. The very competence of the department and of the Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, are being questioned, and by able lawmakers, many of whom have gone along with Dulles for four years, wondering about his actions, but holding off any all-out assault.

The President is taking a great gamble with his new doctrine for the Middle East. The doctrine itself is not very clear. Congress is somewhat skeptical. The area of the world involved is certainly a difficult one, inhabited by unpredictable peoples. And we are already late in our efforts to keep Communism out of the area.

According to most judges of international political developments, we have lost the first and second rounds in the contest in the Middle East. The Eisenhower Administration can ill afford to see its

avowed intentions thwarted in this area again. The Eisenhower Doctrine will have to succeed or this country might be forced into employing the very measures Great Britain recently took—the use of military strength.

Meanwhile, it seems that our latest appraisals of President Nasser have again proved melancholy, for the Egyptian radio is spreading very active anti-American propaganda in all the Middle East. Once again, they say in Washington, we are about to get tough with Nasser. Critics of the State Department say we are guilty of getting soft and then getting tough, too often, with no consistent realistic appreciation of the situation in Egypt. They recall the Aswan Dam fiasco, which precipitated the seizure of the canal.

As the battle over our foreign policy continues, Vice President Richard Nixon and Minority Senate Leader William Knowland stand by, grooming themselves for the years hence. Both men are regarded as certain presidential candidates, waiting to take up where Eisenhower leaves off. The question now is where will Eisenhower leave off . . . on top, or somewhere else?

Household Hints For Homemakers

By RUTH CURRENT
State Home Demonstration Agent

BUTTONS—Top-notch stylists give us do's and don'ts if we are to be smartly styled.

Don't limit your favorite tailored "boy" shirts to casual daytime wear, but do dress sport shirts and skirts up for evening dates with costume jewelry, bright buttons, studs and cuff links.

Don't use buttons that just match your fabrics, but do try really big contrasts—in color and-or textures—for dramatic effects! Coordination makes the difference.

Don't overlook the slimming lines dressmaker coats can give your figure, but do emphasize the slender look with a single long line of dressy buttons!

Don't sport jewel-buttoned party sweaters to class, but do put your casual sweaters in the party class with sparkling buttons!

POTATOES FIT INTO ANY MEAL—One medium-sized potato has about 100 calories—no more than an apple or banana, and only half the calories of a medium-sized piece of pie or a hamburger and roll. If you're watching weight, watch what you put on

the potatoes. It's the gravy, butter, or other fat that "piles up" calories. And it's the total of all the foods you eat that adds the pounds.

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Questions And Answers

Question: How much electricity will one 250-watt infrared lamp use when used for chick brooding?

Answer: One 250-watt infrared lamp burning continuously for 24 hours will use 6 kilowatts hours of electricity.

Question: Generally, what must a farmer do if he decided to enter into a tree planting contract under the conservation phase of the Soil Bank program?

Answer: First of all, he must plant a timber type variety recommended for his area. Christmas trees, ornamentals, fruit trees or nut producing trees are not eligible under Conservation Reserve.

He must plant enough trees so that at the end of the first growing season, he will have at least 800 live trees per acre. Allowing for average losses, this would mean that he should plant at least 700 or more per acre to start with, spacing them 7 1/2 to 8 feet apart each way.

He must do his best to protect the trees from damage by fire, grazing animals, or other destructive agencies during the life of the contract. He must not overplant his acreage of allotted crops or soil bank base crops during the contract period.

Question: How useful are pasture firebreaks on the farm?

Answer: Pasture firebreaks help save forests from destructive fires and furnish grazing for livestock. But to do either well, they must be properly established and managed, just like an improved pasture. One important good management step is to withhold grazing until the plants have developed a strong root system and complete ground cover. So check the forage before you put the cows on the range.

Congressional Democrats have made it plain President Eisenhower would have to fight for parts of the legislative program he outlined in his State of the Union message.

RABIES CLINIC SCHEDULE

J. G. Martin, D. V. M.
IN CHARGE OF CLINIC
by order of
DR. MARY B. H. MICHAL, HEALTH OFFICER
District Health Department

A new type vaccine will be used in clinics this year. This vaccine has been recognized by world health authorities as being capable of producing an immunity against rabies for a period of three (3) years.

At the present time North Carolina law still requires annual vaccinations of dogs, however, the proposal to change this law will be considered by the State Board of Health in the very near future.

The cost of this vaccine will be \$1.00 on clinic days, the same as for the old vaccine. All vaccinations made on other days will be \$2.00.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1957—BEAVER DAM

1:00 P. M.	Dallas Wilson
2:00 P. M.	Don Hagaman Store
3:00 P. M.	Vann Farthing Store
4:00 P. M.	Ray Tester's

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1957—COVE CREEK AND VALLE CRUCIS

1:00 P. M.	Old Lovell Post Office
1:30 P. M.	Vilas Service Station
2:00 P. M.	Cove Creek Store
3:00 P. M.	Victor Ward's Store
4:00 P. M.	Howard Mast's Store

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1957—SHULLS MILLS, MATNEY AND FOSCOE

1:00 P. M.	Stewart Hayes Store
1:45 P. M.	Ed Harbin's Store
2:30 P. M.	N. F. Church's Store
4:00 P. M.	Bill Smith's Residence

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1957—UPPER COVE CREEK

1:00 P. M.	Max Miller's Store
1:45 P. M.	Bert Mast's Store
2:30 P. M.	Owen Little's Store
3:15 P. M.	Sherwood Post Office

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1957—HIGHWAY 421

1:00 P. M.	Smith's Store, New River Bridge
1:45 P. M.	Trivette's Grocery
2:45 P. M.	Triplet Post Office
3:30 P. M.	Old Laxon Post Office
4:15 P. M.	Deep Gap Post Office

There Will Be No Clinics on Tuesday

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1957—HIGHWAY 194

1:30 P. M.	Grady McNeils Residence
2:30 P. M.	Jones Store (Sands)
3:15 P. M.	Meat Camp Service Station
4:00 P. M.	Winebarger Store

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1957—SCATTERED

1:30 P. M.	Todd Post Office
2:30 P. M.	Cleve Moretz's
3:30 P. M.	Lloyd Stansbery's

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1957—BLOWING ROCK AREA

1:00 P. M.	Stacy Ford Place
1:45 P. M.	City Hall—Blowing Rock
3:15 P. M.	Mrs. Collins Store
4:00 P. M.	V. C. Shores Residence

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1957

1:00 P. M. To 5:00 P. M.	Dr. Martin's Office
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