

\$3,500 Polio Quota In Current Campaign

Workers For Campaign Appointed

A meeting for the March of Dimes was held last Friday night at the Regal Hotel. A. D. Peacock, County Chairman, announces the following appointments: Hobart McKeever, Co-Chairman; Rae Moore, Chairman for Murphy; Dr. Van Gorder, Andrews; Mrs. Cloe Moore, Jr. Women's Club; Mrs. H. Bueck, Sr. Women's Club; Mrs. Roy Fuller, P.-T. A.; H. Bueck, Murphy School; Lloyd Hendrix, County Schools; Earl Mundy, Culberson; John Worley, Unaka; C. H. Townson, Marble; Hobart McKeever, Lions' Club; Myron Jensen, Civitan Club; Bill King, W. O. W. Other committees will be appointed this week. The quota for Cherokee County is \$3,500.00.

Several events have been arranged including a basket ball game between the Lions and the Civitan Clubs, all proceeds to go to the March of Dimes.

Rae Moore, the Murphy Chairman, is arranging a benefit Card Party.

The Drive officially opens January 15 and ends January 31.

Mile And Half Roads Completed

The State Highway Commission has completed one and one-half additional miles of new road improvements in Cherokee County under the \$200,000,000 bond issue program.

The following work was completed during December:

(1) Grading and surfacing with traffic bound macadam were completed on the Long Branch Road for 0.2 mile.

(2) Stabilizing and strengthening were completed on the Morrow Road for 0.2 mile; Shoal Creek Road, 0.5; Loop Road, 0.4.

During the 12 months of 1950 the State Highway Commission hard-surfaced over 4,500 miles of roads throughout North Carolina to triple its pace of roadbuilding over previous years. Dr. Henry W. Jordan, Highway Commission Chairman, has announced that more work was finished this past year on the state's primary road system than at any time in the Commission's history. This pace of work will continue unless wartime emergency conditions intervene.

Criss B. Debty Taken By Death

Criss B. Debty, 63, died Friday at his home Marble, Route 1, following a year's illness.

He is survived by the widow; five sons, John and Carl of Twin Branch West Va., C. B. Debty and Charlie Debty of Marble, and Willie Debty of Englewood, Colo.; one daughter, Mrs. Hubert Stiles of Marble.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2 p. m. in Vengeance Creek Baptist Church, with the Rev. Jimmy Chappel officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Townson Funeral Home in charge.

"Fear Or Faith" Morris' Topic

"Fear or Faith" will be the sermon topic of the Rev. J. Alton Morris Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at First Baptist Church. On Sunday evening Mr. Morris will preach on, "Christ or Satan."

Other Sunday services at the church will be held at the regular hours. Mid-week "Hour of Power" service will be on Wednesday evening.

TO PREACH

The Rev. Howard Kilpatrick will preach at Grape Creek Baptist Church January 14, at 11 a. m. and at Unaka Baptist Church on January 21 at 11 a. m.

Byrum Announces Sermon Topics

The Rev. R. Delbert Byrum, pastor of First Methodist Church has announced that his sermon topic for Sunday morning will be, "Methodism's Evangelistic Passion", and for Sunday evening, "When Man Forgets God."

Sunday School will be held at 9:45 a. m. and Evening Youth Meeting at 6 p. m.

County Farmers Improve Pastures

The Agricultural Conservation Program gave a big boost to efforts to provide more and better pastures on Cherokee County farms during the 1950 calendar year, according to the local PMA office.

Some 800 County farmers seeded 2150 acres of permanent pastures with 50 percent of the "out-of-the-pocket" cost furnished through the ACP. H. B. McNabb, Chairman of the Cherokee County Production and Marketing Administration Committee, announced this week.

The PMA Chairman pointed out that this acreage represents an increase of 2000 acres seeded to pastures by farmers under the ACP last year.

Pasture seed, made available to participating farmers through the program's purchase order system, included 4303 pounds of ladino; 20640 pounds of orchard grass; and 3453 pounds of fescue.

"Farmers who obtain pasture seed under the program are always assured of high quality seed," the farm leader said, "as only seed meeting high germination and purity tests are made available."

Not only in Cherokee County, but throughout the State, farmers are taking advantage of services offered through the Agricultural Conservation Program to aid them establish more and better permanent pastures. Recent announcement by G. Tom Scott, State PMA Chairman, Raleigh, reveals that 225,500 acres of permanent pastures were seeded in the State with ACP assistance during the 1950 calendar year. This compares with 167,228 acres established under the program last year, and 98,000 acres in 1948.

Pasture seed made available through the purchase order plan to participating farmers throughout the State included 1,549,591 pounds of orchard grass; 987,021 pounds of fescue; 15,030 white dutch clover and 437,658 of ladino clover. "Assistance provided under the Agricultural Conservation Program," Scott said, "has proved the most effective and efficient means of getting essential conservation work done on the land of individual farmers."

"This method of assistance does not require the farmer to pay, in the initial outlay, the entire cost of seeding or improving pasture acreage; and therefore, has been an incentive for many farmers financially unable to bear the entire cost at seeding time, to take advantage of the pasture practice," Scott explained.

"The share of cost provided under the ACP also represents the public interest and in conservation of the soil," he added.

The Agricultural Conservation Program is available to all farmers in Cherokee County. With the 1951 program already approved, farmers are urged to visit their county PMA office at Murphy, North Carolina to discuss their conservation needs for the coming year.

Service Guild To Meet In Lee Home

The Wesleyan Service Guild of First Methodist Church will meet Monday night, at 7:30, at the home of Mrs. Dale Lee with Mrs. Willard Cooper, Mrs. Charles Worthington, Mrs. Edwin Hyde and Mrs. John Bayless as co-hostesses.

Misses Della McCreary and Josephine Heighway will have charge of the program.



It's a bubble octant. This United States Air Force student at Ellington Air Force Base, Texas, is taking a peek through the new device as part of his navigational training in the AF's new Consolidated T-29 Navigation Trainer.

Miss Eppley Speaks WMU Conference

Miss Marie Eppley, field representative of the State W. M. U. Department, will bring the inspirational message at The Western North Carolina Baptist W. M. U. Associational Leadership Conference which will meet Tuesday, January 16, at the Murphy First Baptist Church at 10:00 A. M. Mrs. Elmer Childers, Associational W. M. U. Superintendent, will preside.

Special Music will be given by the Murphy Youth Choir.

Various conferences will be led for the leaders and officers. Mrs. Elmer Childers will lead a conference for Presidents, Circle Chairmen, and Recording Secretaries. Mrs. C. T. Almond, of Andrews, will lead a conference for First Vice-Presidents and Membership Committees. Miss Ruth Bagwell, will lead the conference for Second Vice-Presidents and Program Committees. Mrs. J. W. Stanley, of Hayesville, will lead a conference for Treasurers, Stewardship Chairmen and committees. Mrs. W. A. Bell, of Murphy, will lead a conference for Mission Study Chairmen and committees. Mrs. James Glenn will lead a conference for Young People Directors. Y. W. A. Counselors, G. A., R. A. and Sunbeam Counselors.

The Rev. Robert Barker, Pastor of Valley River Church will bring the closing Meditation.

Fire Damages Wilcox Home

The home of Mrs. Gwendolyn Wilcox on Cherokee Street was damaged Wednesday morning about 11 o'clock, when the house caught fire from an overheated chimney. H. E. Dickey, owner of the house, was unable to estimate the damage.

Home Clubs Hold Officers' School Here

Stowe Announces Church Services

The Rev. Lester Stowe, pastor of Friendship Baptist Church has announced that his sermon subject for Sunday morning at 11 o'clock will be, "Is This the Time God will Favor Us?", and for Sunday night, "To Obey is Better Than to Sacrifice."

Charles Stiles, eleven year-old son of the Rev. and Mrs. Noah Stiles will speak at the church on Saturday night at 7 o'clock.

The film, strip, "Choose ye This Day" will be shown Sunday evening at the beginning of the Training Union period.

Mrs. Lester Stowe will teach a study course, "The Bible and Prayer" each night at 6:30, Monday through Friday January 15-19.

Mr. Stowe has announced that the new pews for the church were delivered this week and will be ready for use at the services Sunday.

Wm. A. Farmer Killed Saturday

William A. Farmer, a retired farmer of Unaka, died at 7:15 a. m. Sunday in a Clinton, Tenn., hospital from injuries received by a hit-and-run driver of an automobile as he was returning Saturday night from church to the home of his son Frank Farmer, with whom he made his home. He was 70 years old Saturday.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p. m. in Unaka Baptist Church, with the Rev. Mr. Swanson officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Townson Funeral Home in charge.

He is survived by three sons, Lawson and Lee Farmer of Murphy, and Frank Farmer of Clinton, three daughters, Mrs. Cora Lovin-good, Mrs. Delsie Phillips and Mrs. Zedie Henson all of Murphy; three brothers, M. F. Farmer and Chester Farmer of Murphy and J. E. Farmer of Unaka; three sisters, Mrs. Carl Stiles of Peachtree, and Mrs. Bill Allen and Mrs. J. T. Dockery of Unaka.

To Hold Meeting

The Rev. A. B. Lovell, chairman of the Forces for Temperance and Law Enforcement, has announced that a meeting will be held on Monday evening, January 15, at 7:30 o'clock in the First Methodist Church.

The Rev. J. R. Allen, pastor of the Methodist Church at Andrews, will bring the message and the Rev. W. H. Hampton, pastor of the Free Methodist Church, Murphy, will bring the devotional.

All interested persons are urged to attend.

Home Clubs Hold Officers' School Here

County council officers and local club presidents of District No. 1 Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, composed of Clay, Graham and Cherokee Counties held an officers training school at the court house here last Friday morning.

Miss Verna Stanton of the Extension Service Department, Raleigh, was in charge of the school.

Miss Nell Kennett, district home agent of Raleigh, and Miss Edna Bishop, home agent in Cherokee County, extended greetings to the group.

The session was spent in study and planning of policies and procedure for club work for 1951.

CHARLOTTE'S FIRST BABY

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Reeves won the 1951 Stork Derby by half a second. The Reeves' baby boy was Charlotte's first baby of the year arriving at one-half second past midnight on January 1. Mrs. Reeves is the former, Miss Virginia Ruth Odum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Odum of Unaka, and niece of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Odum of Murphy.

275 Units Needed From County Next Week

Andrews Expects 125 Pints Blood

ANDREWS—In an emergency called meeting of the leaders of the Andrews Red Cross Blood Program held Monday at the Mayor's Office, plans were considered for increasing blood collections in Andrews. This move was necessitated by a request from the Department of Defense that Red Cross double blood procurement through blood centers and private blood banks to provide the greatly increased quantities of blood needed for military use, according to the Rev. Wm. Hall, chairman of the local Red Cross Blood Program.

"Blood for defense is a fabulous amount is the national plea to all healthy citizens of every community. The citizens of Andrews and surrounding communities must furnish our boys in Korea 125 pints of blood when the bloodmobile unit visits here on January 18th."

Mr. Hall announced that the Bloodmobile would be at the Andrews City Hall from 9:00 to 12:30 and 2:00 to 4:30 P. M. on Thursday, January 18. He asks that people who need a ride let him know and he will send for them. "Everyone between the ages of 18 to 60 ought to come to the blood bank and try to give a pint for Korea, since the doctor will not let you give blood if it will injure your health in any way," he stated.

Open Poultry Lab, Waynesville

Opening of a poultry diagnostic laboratory at Waynesville to serve Western North Carolina's thriving poultry industry is announced by Dr. H. J. Rollins, State Veterinarian.

Dr. Calvin C. Gatz will be in charge of the laboratory. He is a graduate of the Kansas State Veterinary College and served six years in the Veterinary Corps and the Medical Service Corps of the U. S. Army during the World War II period.

The laboratory, located in a building near the Waynesville bus station, will be open from 8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Monday through Friday of each week to provide poultry diagnostic service to producers in the Western counties. It is equipped to make routine examinations and diagnoses of diseased poultry, plate and tube tests for pullorum disease, and to conduct the hema-agglutination test for the diagnosis of Newcastle disease.

Dr. Gatz will be available for some field work in flocks where disease outbreaks occur. Poultrymen are advised, however, to take their sick birds directly to the laboratory whenever possible.

"The purpose of this laboratory," the State Veterinarian explained, "is to safeguard us far as possible the growing poultry industry in the western counties. These counties are too far from Raleigh to obtain a satisfactory service from the central laboratories maintained by the State Department of Agriculture and by State College."

"In recent years the poultry industry has increased rapidly in some of the western counties, providing the farmers in this area with a new source of income. Farmers in some of these counties are now shipping large quantities of hatching eggs which have been found to possess a very high rate of hatchability, and in a number of counties broiler production is now on a commercial scale."

CANCER CLINIC TO MEET

at C. J. Harris Hospital, in Sylva, Friday, January 12. Registration hours will be from 9 to 10:15 a. m. The Division of Cancer Control of the N. C. State Board of Health provides examinations for cancer to women above 35 and men above 40 years old and to any person of any age with symptoms suggestive of cancer.

Petrie Hospital On Approved List

Petrie Hospital has been placed on the provisional approval list of the hospitals in the United States, Canada and a few other countries, according to Dr. Paul R. Hawley, Director of the American College of Surgeons. The hospitals now approved number 3,290 as compared with 3,284 at the end of 1949.

According to Dr. Hawley, the approved hospitals on the new list represent 82 per cent of the hospitals of 25 beds and over which are under survey by the College.

Mrs. Mary Wyke Taken By Death At The Age Of 87

ANDREWS—Mrs. Mary Emmeline Wyke, 87, of Andrews, died in an Andrews hospital Wednesday at 4 p. m. after a long illness.

A native of Graham County, she moved to Andrews 40 years ago. She was the last surviving Gold Star Mother of World War I in Andrews.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. in Andrews Baptist Church.

The Rev. J. A. Richardson, the Rev. W. E. Hall, and the Rev. J. A. Allen will officiate. Burial will be in Andrews Cemetery with Ivie Funeral Home in charge.

Surviving are three daughters, Miss Mary Jane Wyke of Andrews, Mrs. Kate Shope of Robbinsville, and Mrs. Irene Rempfer of Arlington, Va.; five sons, Reuben, Grant, Frank, and Crawford of Andrews and Bruce of Detroit, Mich., and five grandchildren, Melba, Carolyn and Billy Wyke of Andrews, Betty and Gail Evely of Arlington, Va.

Active pallbearers were Horace Rector, Arthur Watkins, Granvil McKeldry, Bob Bristol, Clarence Hogan and S. Beck. Honorary pallbearers were Jack Herbert, T. J. Bristol, W. A. Hyde, B. P. Grant, Bruce Bristol, Lee Watkins, Wymer Conley, Luke Ellis, John Tatham, Harve Hamilton and L. B. Nichols.

Fire Destroys Parton Building

Fire destroyed the two story veneer store and apartment building owned by Fred Parton on Highway 19, four miles west of Bryson City, Monday afternoon. Flames were seen by a neighbor, and the Bryson City Fire Department responded.

It was stated that the loss was more than \$15,000.00 on the building itself and that did not include the stock and fittings in the stores nor the furnishings of the apartments.

It was also stated that about \$3,000.00 in bills and \$500.00 in silver were in the building. Some of the silver was found in the ashes, somewhat damaged by melting together.

The cause of the fire was not determined. Portions of the veneer walls are standing but otherwise the building is completely destroyed. It was stated that there was no insurance.

Methodist Members Attend Rally

The Rev. and Mrs. R. Delbert Byrum, D. V. Carringer, Sammy Davidson, Miss Josephine Heighway, Mrs. J. H. Hampton and Mrs. H. Bueck attended the Evangelism Rally of the Waynesville, Marion and Asheville Districts of the Methodist Church held in Central Methodist Church in Asheville Monday. The Rev. Ralph Taylor, former pastor of Murphy First Methodist Church, now pastor of Albemarle Central Methodist Church, is president of the conference board of Evangelism.

County Chapter's Quota Is 150 Pints

Blood collected on the Bloodmobile visit here next Wednesday will be shipped directly to Korea for the relief of battle casualties according to an announcement made by the Blood Center in Asheville this week.

The mobile unit will be at the First Baptist Church from 12 noon to 6 p. m. with Col. W. F. Wright, retired Army surgeon, in charge. As usual every prospective donor will be given a thorough physical examination, and no person with abnormal blood pressure or low hemoglobin will be permitted to give.

A letter from Miss Kathleen Roberts, former publicity chairman for the local Red Cross blood drive who is now serving as a Red Cross desperate need for blood for the worker in Japan, tells of the treatment of frost-bite and gunshot cases. The Armed Forces quota for this region for the month of January calls for more units of blood than ever have been collected in the region in a single month. "Our Civilian needs will be served, but we must bend every effort to meet our quota for Korea," the Rev. James R. Crook, Blood Program Chairman declares.

Ministers Meet Franklin Monday

"Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade" will be the theme at the Western North Carolina Baptist Ministers' Conference at First Baptist Church, Franklin, on January 15, beginning at 10 a. m.

The Rev. M. W. Chapman of Franklin will have charge of the devotional, and the Rev. W. N. Cook of Franklin will preside over the business session.

Addresses will be given by the following on the subjects named: The Rev. J. A. Richardson, Andrews, "Prerequisites to a Revival Campaign"; the Rev. C. M. Warren, Sylva, "The Preacher's Part in a Revival Campaign"; the Rev. B. S. Hensley, Sylva, "The Church's Part in a Revival Campaign"; the Rev. B. A. Wall, Waynesville, "The Holy Spirit's Part in a Revival Campaign".

Lunch will be served at 12:30.

Bueck To Review Book For Club

Murphy Woman's Club will hold its January meeting Wednesday at 3:15 p. m. in the Primary School auditorium.

The program will be under the direction of the Citizenship Department, Mrs. H. Bueck, chairman. Mr. Bueck will review the book, "Verdict of Three Decades" by Steinberg.

Hostesses will be Mrs. A. Q. Kettner, chairman, Mrs. Dale Lee, Mrs. Harry Miller, Miss Dolores McGuire and Mrs. G. W. Zerbes.

Among The Sick

The Rev. James R. Crook had two teeth extracted this week and spent a night in the hospital. On returning home, he found Mrs. Crook ill from watching the operation and smelling the ether. Tommy Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Alexander, is seriously ill in Murphy General Hospital.

Mrs. Robert Weaver underwent an operation in Murphy General Hospital Monday. She was reported Tuesday to be doing well.

TRUETT TO PREACH

The Rev. W. T. Truett will preach at Hanging Dog Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock on "The Two-Fold Ministry of Christ", and at Ranger Baptist Church Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock on "The Personality of the Gospel Message".