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Berkshire To Start 12th To Employ Its Workers

ANDREWS—Percy B. Ferebee has announced that work has been received from the Berkshire Knitting Mills advising that Arthur N. Krummenehl, personnel director, will arrive in Andrews Sunday and start employing workers Monday, at Andrews Textile Building. Application blanks may be secured at Chamber of Commerce or stores. He also stated that Harry M. Wolfe, supervisor of the seaming

operation and training which will be in the Andrews Textile Building, will arrive here Saturday and that the equipment for this department has been shipped. Mrs. Wolfe will be with her husband, inside and out, with Mr. Krummenehl explaining it and answering any questions. There will be a sound and color motion picture at the Andrews High School auditorium Monday

night, Mar. 12, at 7:30 o'clock showing the Berkshire Knitting Mills of Reading, Pa., the world's largest manufacturer of ladies full-fashioned stockings. This picture will show the plant completely, inside and out, with Mr. Krummenehl explaining it and answering any questions. The picture is free, and the public is urged to attend

Meditation

Do thy little, do it well;
Do what right and reason tell;
Do what wrong and sorrow claim;
Conquer sin and cover shame.
Do thy little, though it be
Dreariness and drudgery;
They whom Christ apostles made
Gathered fragments when he bade.

Scouting With The Editor

LONGFELLOW wrote about spring: "If spring came but once in a century, instead of once a year, or burst forth with the sound of an earthquake, and not in silence, what wonder and expectation there would be in all hearts to behold the miraculous change! But now the silent succession suggests nothing but necessity. To most men only the cessation of the miracle would be miraculous, and the perpetual exercise of God's power seems less wonderful than its withdrawal would be."

SPRING CAME upon us all of a sudden last week when, with the warm sunshiny days the flowers burst forth into brilliant blossoms. Forsythia, other spirea, and jonquils have been brightening our community for more than a week now. Weeping willow trees are a beautiful green. The maples are red with new buds. Soon the dogwoods will be blooming. We hope winter is over, and spring can continue to paint the landscape with the exquisite beauty it always brings.

WORK is made easier when words of appreciation such as the following come to us:
From Mrs. Howard Kester, John C. Campbell Folk School: "We enjoy your paper and I have begun to follow your travels and interests with keen concern. It seems that this section of North Carolina has the right to anticipate real growth in the future, and we all realize what a share you have had in making it all possible. And to have a paper with the religious emphasis that you give yours means a great deal in days like these. We all are grateful to you."

From Miss Lula Mills, Route 3, Murphy: "I have read THE SCOUT since I was a child. Our home has never been without it. We just can't get along without reading it weekly."

From Mrs. Worth Wood, Route 3, Murphy: "When our subscription expires, we just have to come in and renew, for we don't want to miss a single issue of THE SCOUT."

WHEN TRAVELING I much prefer to have company, but it never bothers me to take a trip alone. In fact it gives an opportunity to "be still" and do a lot of thinking that a rushing life does not often afford. Then, too, I like to commit poetry to memory. Usually it's just a short verse or two, but here's a longer one that I'm trying to master, written by Mary Lowe Dickinson:
We would fill the hours with the sweetest things
If we had but a day;
We should drink alone at the purest springs
In our upward way;
We should love with a lifetime's love in an hour
If the hours were few;
We should rest not for dreams, but for fresher power
To be and to do.

We should guide our wayward or wearied wills
By the clearest light;
We should keep our eyes on the heavenly hills
If they lay in sight;
We should trample the pride and the discontent
Beneath our feet;
We should take whatever a good God sent,
With a trust complete.

We should waste no moments in weak regret
If the day were but one;
If what we remember and what we forget
Went out with the sun;
We should be from our clamorous selves set free
To work and to pray,
And to be what the Father would have us to be,
If we had but a day.

Responding Well

The humanitarian appeal of the American Red Cross never goes unheard in our midst. Our people are responding heartily to the fund drive this year, as they realize that in making a contribution to that organization they will be having a part in relieving human suffering and need in many parts of the world as well as in our own midst.

The goal of \$2412 is about one-third attained, as Fund Chairman Bill Bolton reports over \$800 received to date. All those who have not yet made their contribution should do so at least before the month of March ends. The Red Cross is the channel through which loved ones can minister to those on the battlefields, beds of sickness, or in the midst of disaster.

Support the 1951 Red Cross fund and help to mobilize for defense.

W. D. Dibrell Speaks Rotary Ladies' Night

ANDREWS—Thursday night was annual Ladies' Night with the Rotary sat a dinner meeting at the Junaluska Terrace Hotel.

The Rev. Wm. E. Hall introduced the guest speaker for the evening who was W. D. Dibrell, Red Cross field representative.

Mr. Dibrell stressed the fact that it is important that the Andrews Chapter exceed its quota, since there were so many pressing needs in Korea.

Speaking of the need Mr. Dibrell said, "What would happen if you suddenly woke up one night and found your community flooded with thousands of people coming to this section from cities that had been bombed by a surprise attack? Would Cherokee County be ready to house, feed and clothe these people? The Red Cross has one of the biggest challenges that it has ever been faced with in this community as well as all over the nation. Blood is being sent to Korea daily and Western North

Carolina is doing its part to get the much needed blood to the front lines. The job is big, and the cost is great. This and other countries will have to exceed their quotas in the March campaign to keep up the much needed work which is going on. Few people realize that Cherokee County and other Western sections are considered the safety zone in the event of enemy hostilities. The crowded city areas, in case of bombing, would rush into the mountain region for refuge.

"The Red Cross needs your support in money as well as volunteer service."

Following Mr. Dibrell's talk there was about 30 minutes of entertainment in which all present participated.

Mrs. L. O. Caldwell, Mrs. Clyde Jarrett, The Rev. J. C. Neville and Nick Neville were guests. Approximately 45 attended the meeting.

Rev. James A. Allen Heads Red Cross

ANDREWS—It has been announced here that the Rev. James A. Allen will succeed the Rev. Wm. E. Hall as chairman of the Andrews Chapter of the Red Cross. Joseph Sursavage has been appointed fund chairman of the 1951 Drive.

Mr. Hall, now blood chairman, states that a national record was made in Andrews in blood giving on percentage basis in 1950. He further states that for the first quarter of the year one half of the 1951 blood quota was given, national water safety school has been held, an expenditure of approximately \$150 on telephone calls for service men and their families have been made, and there is a balance of about \$100 in the bank.

Mr. Allen asks the co-operation of not only the officials of the local chapter of the Red Cross but the town people at large.

He further states that he believes that this co-operation will be forth-

coming in the future as it has in the past, because people are aware of the value of the Red Cross. There will be a meeting in the near future for the purpose of organization and planning.

Home Dem Club Meets At Violet

The Violet Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Virginia Patton Friday at 1:30 p. m. The Home Agent Miss Edna Bishop and eleven members were present. One new member, Mrs. Ethel Wilcox, was received.

The meeting opened with the song, "The Quilting Party", followed by the Club collect. Mrs. W. L. Taylor gave the devotional.

Mrs. Gwendolyn Beaver, clothing leader, gave a report on clothing and Mrs. W. L. Taylor a report on poultry. Mrs. Gay Murphy reported on the Red Cross meeting held at the First Methodist Church in Murphy, February 24.

The Club voted to put on a community clean up drive during next month.

The Club was then turned over to Miss Bishop who instructed the group in planting strawberries, demonstrating the use of burlap bags for mulching and helping to keep weeds and grass down. Miss Bishop showed several illustrations of new styles and colors in clothing. She distributed lists of books to be read in order to get a certificate. She urged the president and the education, recreation and family life leaders to attend a meeting at the library Tuesday to discuss problems with the Regional Librarian.

Mrs. Patton served refreshments to Miss Edna Bishop, Mesdames Clara Morrow, Noah Wilcox, B. B. Morrow, Gay Murphy, W. L. Taylor, George Morrow, James R. Beavers, Clifford Rose, James S. Morrow and Stanley Hamby.

Roger And Hubie Baugh Are Hosts

The Jr. R. A.'s met Wednesday with Roger and Hubie Baugh with seven members present. Refreshments were served by Mrs. J. L. Baugh.

The program, "The Mission of Home Missions", was given by the boys. "Week of Prayer for Home Missions" was discussed by Mrs. Baugh.

After the benediction and brotherhood circle the boys with their counselor went on a hike.

Scouts Plan Camping Trip

ANDREWS—The Boy Scouts met Thursday night at the American Legion Hut at 7 o'clock with Assistant Scout leader Herrmann Brauer to discuss plans for a camping trip in the near future.

Following the discussion, they participated in exercises and played games.

Present for the meeting were James Ledford, Bobby Jack Love, Kent Laughter, Steve Higdon, Wayne Battle, Jr., Dan Cathey, Jimmy Holland, Charles Holland and a visitor, Bobby Martin.

Richard Hicks To Preach Sunday

ANDREWS—The Rev. J. A. Richardson, Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, announces that Richard Hicks, who graduated at Mars Hill College at the end of the first semester and is now a student at Furman University will preach at the 11 o'clock worship service Sunday morning.

Sunday school will be held at 10 a. m. Training Union Groups will leave the church at 2:30 Sunday afternoon for visitation. Training Union for the entire family will be at 6:30 p. m., and preaching services by the pastor will be at 7:30 p. m.

Sick In Andrews

Claud Watson has returned to his home from a Murphy hospital where he spent several days. He is doing well at this writing.

Little Linda Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hamilton is a patient at Rodda-Van Gorder Hospital suffering with pneumonia. Esco Wakefield who is a patient at Mission Hospital in Asheville is some improved.

Mrs. C. W. Gibson who has been ill at her home for several days is some improved.

J. B. Smith of Murphy who underwent a major operation at Rodda-Van Gorder Hospital and who has been seriously ill is some improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McClelland remains ill at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Winfrey.

Miss Sallie Buchanan who has been a patient at Rodda-Van Gorder Hospital for several days is doing well.

Mrs. Gurie Phillips of Varnville, S. C., suffered a stroke at her home Sunday night. This is the second stroke for Mrs. Phillips since moving from Andrews in December.

J. G. Carrier who has been quite ill at Rodda-Van Gorder Hospital for the past three weeks is much improved.

Manly Sherrill who has been seriously ill has gone to the home of his brother, Baxter Sherrill, in Waynesville to recuperate.

Mrs. Grant Phillips who underwent a minor operation at Rodda-Van Gorder Hospital last week is much improved.

Mrs. E. B. May of near Andrews underwent a minor operation at Rodda-Van Gorder Hospital Tuesday.

Little Dianne Watson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Watson, is a patient at Rodda-Van Gorder Hospital.

Mrs. Mary B. Darden has returned from Rodda-Van Gorder Hospital where she underwent a minor operation and is recuperating at her home.

Andy Luther is seriously ill at his home here.

PASTURE FIRE

A grass fire in the pasture adjoining Valley River, back of the E. C. Moore home, threatened to get out of control about 8 p. m. Saturday. The fire department was called to keep it under control.

Mrs. Homer Stark of Moultrie, Ga., is visiting Mrs. W. A. Bishop and Miss Edna Bishop, who spent the week-end in Moultrie.

Industry And Tourists, Too!

The coming of the branch of Berkshire Knitting Mills to Andrews has focused much attention on our county. Papers all over the state have published the news and editorials about it. We hope other news of like interest will be available for us soon, as Murphy and surrounding community await with eagerness the official announcement of a manufacturing plant locating here.

Raleigh's News and Observer published an editorial on the Andrews plant that has received much editorial comment in other newspapers. Stating that a nylon plant to be built at Andrews would mean that the Cherokee Indians are going to have the opportunity for employment and to become acquainted with machinery in North Carolina's industrial expansion, our capital city daily evidently has the erroneous idea that the Cherokee Indian Reservation is in Cherokee County. This is the thinking of many people in the eastern part of our state.

As Editor Curtis Russ of the Waynesville Mountaineer writes, "We expect it is a fact that right now many people in Raleigh know more about Korea than Western North Carolina—and perhaps rightly so. Korea has been kept constantly before them. As far as we know, very little has been done by Western North Carolina to tell the world, to any great degree, about this section." That is a challenge to the Chambers of Commerce of our area, to do some advertising.

Editor Weimar Jones of Franklin Press writes, "Can anyone who ever has visited the Cherokee village, can anyone who knows the Indians, imagine anything more inappropriate than the establishments of a nylon plant at the Cherokee village? It is rapidly becoming a tourist center. And tourists and smokestacks just do not mix. The tourist has smokestacks at home; usually it is smokestacks, and the things that go with them, that he is fleeing from. Even more fundamental, is the misconception that assumes a shift from handicrafts to millcrafts involves a mere manual adaptation. It involves a complete revolution in attitudes and personality."

Cherokee County, like Cherokee village, is a tourist center, and with the coming of the Berkshire Knitting Mills branch we are not interfering with that phase of our life. The plant will not make nylon. It will manufacture nylon stockings, and it will not have the distasteful features that drive tourists away from an area. We commend the people who have been instrumental in helping to locate plants here on seeking that type of industry. Our tourist business is a valuable asset, and we shall continue to make this an inviting place for those who come to view our scenery, fish in our lakes, and enjoy our climate.

On The Bottom

Figures compiled by the State Department of Public Instruction were released last week, showing the difference in the per pupil cost of education in the various counties of the state.

In the Western area, the three units in Cherokee, Murphy, Andrews and Cherokee County, are at the bottom of the list.

For instance, in Transylvania County the cost per pupil last year was \$167.37, or which 47.30 per cent was paid by the county. That was the highest county in this area, and the costs decrease by units down to the following figures for our units: Andrews, \$101.74, of which 15.96 per cent is paid by the county; Cherokee County, \$100.40, 13.86 per cent; and Murphy, \$94.43, 12.61 per cent.

If Transylvania county contributes \$49 per pupil for the education of its youth, certainly Cherokee county can do better than \$5. We need to ask ourselves wherein the trouble lies. Is it because of heavy indebtedness of the county, or is it a lack of interest in the schools on the part of citizenship, or have the school officials failed to arouse the people and county officials to the needs that exist? Perhaps all these must be taken into consideration, but we must hasten to lift the level of educational opportunities.

Wildlife News

By PAUL CRAWFORD

Dogs, especially "mad dogs", have been receiving considerable attention here in Cherokee County the past few weeks. Two weeks ago we read that our representative, J. H. Duncan, had investigated dog laws, and that Ralph Moody, assistant attorney general, had stated in a written opinion, that he believed that the state has adequate and sufficient laws if they are properly enforced. By

checking the General Statutes of North Carolina, we find all of chapter 67, and part 7 of chapter 106, devoted to dog laws. We give you some brief statements from some of the laws in these chapters:

It is the duty of the owner of every dog to have same vaccinated annually by a rabies inspector. The owner of any dog who fails to have his dog vaccinated shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

The county health officer may declare a quarantine against rabies in any designated district. When quarantine has been established, any police officer or deputy sheriff has the right to apprehend

or kill any dogs found running at large.

If any dog shall kill or injure any livestock or fowls, the owner of the dog shall be liable for damages.

No person shall allow his dog over six months old to run at large in the night time unaccompanied by the owner, some member of the owners family, or some other person by the owners permission.

Any person may kill any mad dog, and also any dog if he is killing sheep, cattle, hogs, goats, or poultry.

There are a number of dog laws

SCRIPTURE: Mark 11-12. DEVOTIONAL READING: Psalm 3:1-4.

By What Authority?

Lesson for March 11, 1951.

IS IT right or wrong? This is a fair question always. But there is another question to go with it. Who is to say whether it is right or wrong? Who is the authority? "Authority" means more than "orders." It means the final judge, the court of last appeal.

Neither You nor the Crowd

SOME SAY: Nobody can tell me what to do; I do as I please. There is no authority I am bound to recognize. Such a person has an authority, all the same: himself. For him, "what I want" and "what I like" are the only reasons for anything and all the reasons he wants.

Now aside from the fact that such people are a nuisance to all concerned, and the fact that they can't even pretend to be Christians, this point of view won't work. The person who acts as his own authority runs into others who take themselves as their authority, and the result is the awful mess called anarchy. So all sensible people do recognize some authority outside themselves. They want approval from outside, from above.

But whose approval do they want? Under whose jurisdiction, as lawyers would say, do they live? Some recognize only that vast and vague authority known as "Everybody." If everybody does it, it must be right. If nobody does it, it's bound to be wrong.

Well, this is not necessarily so. Fifty million Frenchmen can be wrong, or 150 million Americans for that matter. You can't take a vote and decide what's right and what's wrong by a simple count of Ayes and Noes. Neither you alone, nor a crowd no matter how big, can be the final Authority on Life.

Calendar, Code, Conscience

ANOTHER proposed authority, believe it or not, is the calendar. Some people will not read a book or see a show or wear a dress or listen to music that isn't up to the minute. If it's "dated" it's dead, unless the date is today.

That is silly, on the face of it. But there are other more respectable authorities which are still not THE Authority. One of these is the Law. If it's legal it's right, say some people, and it can't be right unless it's legal.

There is something true in this, of course. We should by all means obey the laws, and also see that good laws are made and bad ones repealed. But law is not the final authority on right and wrong. Law-makers can make mistakes. What is a good law at one time may be a bad law under other circumstances.

The best laws can never catch up with the morals of the best people. Still other people take as their authority conscience, meaning their own conscience. This is not quite the same as taking your own wishes or pleasure for your guide. Your conscience may lay unwelcome burdens on you. But while every one should of course follow his conscience, still anybody's conscience can be asleep or mistaken.

Some of the worst crimes in history have been committed by some of the most conscientious people.

God's Last Word

WHAT, THEN, is the highest authority for the Christian? Nothing and no one less than Jesus Christ himself. As we were thinking a few weeks ago, the very word "Christ" is a symbol of authority at the highest level.

In Jesus' day there were two supreme symbols of God: the Law and the Temple. Jesus not only assumed superiority to the Law, but (as our Lesson reminds us) of the Temple itself, though he was no priest and had no ecclesiastical position whatsoever. If there is a difference between Christian and non-Christian today, it is not that Jesus is the authority for one and not for the other; rather it is that the non-Christian refuses to recognize what is the fact: that for us and for all men, Jesus Christ is God's "last word" to mankind.

And if some say that the law of love is the supreme authority, is there any real difference between the spirit of Jesus and the law of love? For he is God's love incarnate.

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Mrs. Jimmie Kephart is spending the week in Maryville, Tenn., with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Kephart.