

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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A Place For Closer Cooperation of Home, School, Private Physicians and Health Officers For Better School Health

This article was suggested by a conference called by Dr. Frank Foster, Dean of Education at the Asheville Normal and Teacher's College. This meeting was addressed by Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State Health Officer and members of the education department, emphasizing the need for Better Health Service in the public school. To accomplish this result there must be close cooperation of the home, the school, private physicians and health department. Home is the foundation of all that is good, morally, physically and to a great extent mentally. Nothing is as valuable to humanity as a sound mind in a sound body. Children do not come into this world of their own volition and are, therefore, entitled to every advantage to make them physically normal and mentally as perfect as possible. Home is the foundation of these qualities and parents are the base of this foundation. Therefore, parents should endeavor by all means to be themselves, as near perfect as possible. The Bible states "The sins of the fathers shall be visited on the children even unto the third and fourth generation." To my mind this is a physical as well as a moral prophesy. Syphilis is the one disease directly inherited.

The last Legislature passed laws that should to a great extent reduce inherited syphilis. The law requires a syphilis test for marriage license and a similar test for pregnant women. The laws of health for adults and children are so many it is impossible to embrace them in this article. By consultation with your physician and health department rules for yourself and the physical care of your child will be gladly furnished.

Children are the greatest imitators, and young children have implicit confidence that their parents are more or less perfect, therefore, parents should, as an example, be as near perfect physically, morally and mentally as possible. If parents have done their duty, the teachers will certainly have a much easier time. Teachers, themselves, can do a great amount of good to promote school health. The school requires that every teacher shall have a health certificate but the requirements of this certificate are very inadequate. Every teacher should have a thorough physical examination by a competent physician and any defect that can be corrected should be corrected, and if serious condition be found that cannot be corrected the teacher should change occupations, as an unhealthy teacher is not fit to teach healthy children. Private physicians and dentists can be of inestimable value in improving school health conditions by instilling in their clientele the importance of having their children in as near perfect health as possible. There are many defects correctable in young children that may as they grow older develop into serious conditions. If the physician or dentist will advise as to correction made on all school children it will be of much assistance in keeping a valuable record in the Health Department.

The Health Department is an advisory and not a treatment institution, and the Franklin County Health Department is at all times willing and glad to advise on any health conditions.

In conclusion, it is my firm belief that the legislature should

pass a law requiring every child entering school to present a certificate from the Health Department or a physician that he has been immunized against typhoid fever, small-pox and diphtheria. The last Legislature passed a law requiring diphtheria immunization, placing the responsibility on the parents. Either from carelessness or ignorance, I am afraid this law is not being very well observed. At the meeting referred to in the beginning of this article the senior class of the Asheville Normal and Teacher's College emphasized the value of health education. I believe in every college there should be given a course of study in health and every student should be required to take this course and teachers requested to teach health. During the school year of 1938 and 1939 the Franklin County Health Department examined physically the pupils of every school in Franklin County with 4,809 children found defective. Two thousand nine hundred and seventy-six white children or 78.7 per cent and 1,833 colored children, or 78.5 per cent, were found defective. Teachers were given a statement showing the defects of each child and requested to send this statement to the parent advising them of the defects. Whether these defects found have been corrected, it is impossible to say. At the same time offer was made, (if no parental objection) to vaccinate every pupil against diphtheria, small-pox and typhoid fever.

MRS. EGERTON HOSTESS TO FRIDAY CLUB

Friday evening Mrs. Frank Egerton entertained members of her Contract club and a few visitors at four tables of bridge. High score prize for club members was won by Miss Lucy Perry Burt and top score for visitors was compiled by Mrs. R. C. Beck, Jr. Mrs. S. O. Southall, of Wilson, formerly of Louisburg, was given an attractive remembrance. The hostess served a salad course with tea. Players included, club members, Mrs. Conrad Sturges, Mrs. P. S. Allen, Mrs. H. J. Lewis, Mrs. J. M. Allen II, Mrs. F. W. Wheelless, Jr., Miss Max Allen, Mrs. Paul W. Elam, Miss Lucy Perry Burt, Mrs. Hill Yarborough and Miss Elizabeth Timberlake; and visitors, Mrs. J. E. Fulgham, Mrs. A. W. Person, Miss Helen Smithwick, Mrs. R. C. Beck, Jr., and Mrs. Susie H. Jackson.

Franklinton News

Franklinton.—The Junior class of Franklinton High School entertained the Senior class at a dinner dance on Saturday evening, April 27. The Seniors were greeted by the Juniors and shown into the community room where the dinner was served. Miss Frances Winston, Junior class room teacher, and Mrs. Fred Blount, Senior class teacher, led the way. During dinner, six girls from the Sophomore class, Elizabeth Joyner Wester, Cornelia Allen, Gloria Brown, Daphne May, Madeline Moore and Doris Hunt, dressed as waitresses, presented a song and dance number, "The Waitress Serenade." Miss Ruth Jenkins, in Gypsy costume, danced and sang a gay gypsy song, distributing fortunes to each Senior.

At the conclusion of the dinner, the entire party adjourned to the Home Economics Room, where dancing was enjoyed, beginning with the grand march, led by Miss Frances Green, president of the Junior class, and Sherling Gilliam, president of the Senior class.

Friday afternoon, Mrs. A. H. Vann was hostess to her bridge club. Miss Helen Stoneham was the only outside guest and Mrs. Vann presented her with a gift. Mrs. H. Crawford Kearney scored high for the club. The hostess, assisted by her daughters, Beverly and Betty Vann, served dinner. Friday evening Miss Cornelia Allen entertained the members of the girls and boys basketball team

and additional guests at Allen's Grill. Dancing was the feature of the evening. The hostess, assisted by her mother, Mrs. A. B. Allen, served punch, salted nuts and wafers. Those enjoying Miss Allen's hospitality were: Misses Margaret Catherine Lumpkin, Martha Raye Lumpkin, Mattie Hicks, Gloria Brown Elizabeth Pearce, Gracie Strickland, Mary Elizabeth Kearney, Frances Green, Gene Thompson, Olive Crews, Margaret Collins; Sterling Gilliam, Timmie Nassif, Joe Hicks, Maynard Winston, Howard Massey, Richard Sawyer, Jimmy Sid Joyner, Cannon Moore, Marvin McDaniel, William Black, Tarbar Perry, Ike Kearney, Theodore Collins, Thilbert Pearce, Wilbur

Massey, Supt. and Mrs. G. B. Harris, Walter Byrd and Fred Blount, all of Franklinton. Guests from Louisburg, were Misses Frances Anne Earl, Betsy Spivey, Jenny Viola Alston, Elizabeth Egerton, Cheatham Alston, Billy Alston, Buddy Beam, John Hodges, Henry Smith. The American Legion Auxiliary held its monthly meeting in April at the home of Mrs. R. J. Rose with Mrs. Rose, Mrs. W. L. Stone, and Miss Flora Phillips as hostesses. Mrs. W. W. Cooke, program chairman for the month, gave an interesting program on "Child Welfare." At this meeting the Auxiliary decided to pay expenses of one girl to be selected by the Auxiliary, to sponsor for

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