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TRYON, N. C., THURSDAY, AUG. 6, 1942

Dental Clinics Being Held In Polk County

Dr. B. E. Washburn, district health officer, reports that Dr. George W. Smith of the division of Oral Hygiene, State Board of Health, Raleigh, will begin an eight week's dental program in the white schools of the county this week. In these dental clinics examination and treatment will be offered to school children who cannot afford the services of a local dentist. The dental program as carried out by Dr. Smith will not only involve cleaning teeth, extractions and fillings, but an extensive educational program is conducted in conjunction with the necessary corrective work. Classroom lectures are given in simple terms, the pupils being required to use mimeographed material and pamphlets which teach tooth and mouth hygiene. Talks on nutrition with accompanying drawings and written suggestions for classroom work teach the importance of milk, good food, and healthful habits in order to have sound teeth. Toothbrushes are sold at a fee which makes them available to any school child, and in many cases, the first toothbrushes owned by the children are sold by the school dentist.

It has been observed, through the school dental program, that many grade repeaters have progressed from one grade to another with corrected dental defects. It is possible for bad teeth to cause physical conditions which may retard the progress of school children and create a direct personality influence through sapping

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CURB REPORTER

Blackout Here Next Monday!

The first TOTAL BLACKOUT for Tryon and other communities in the Asheville District will be between 9:50 and 10:20, for half an hour Monday night, Aug 10. Every light in homes and autos must be out. Only trains, interstate buses and defense projects will be allowed to have lights. Civilian Defense Chm. C. J. Lynch states that Air Raid Warden W. W. Creasman will be in full charge and deputies will patrol districts.

VOLUNTEER Wardens are needed, including Negro men. They are asked to meet tonight at 8 o'clock at Missildine's Hall for placement and instructions.

Tryon Town Council are meeting today noon to pass an ordinance making it a misdemeanor for anyone to have lights burning during the 30 minute period. Saluda, and Columbus authorities are being asked to make similar laws. This is an opportunity for every home in the county to show their willingness to cooperate in any way to help win the war. Airplanes have been flying over this section recently more than ever. We would hate for army planes to be flying over our county during a blackout period to take pictures and have them discover that certain homes in the county were not cooperating.

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