

SPARTANS SPEAK

By The Inquiring Reporter

"Do you have a favorite pet?" Most people do, and the type of pet varies according to the personality of the person.

rather have a pet hen. I'm crazy about chickens. Maisie Cox, Grayson county, Va.—"I don't have a special pet. We have dogs and cats, but they stay out of the house. Guess I like a dog the best."

A few Alleghanians were asked which pet they favored, and excluding one young Miss who said her's was "a man," some of them answered: Mrs. J. C. Spicer, route 1, Sparta—"Don't know which pet I would rather have. We have all kinds, including dogs, cats, chickens, and so on. Believe I would

Alice Murray, route 2, Sparta—"Don't believe I have any pets." Alice Taylor, Laurel Springs—"Preference would be a collie dog, but am also fond of canaries."

Mrs. C. R. Roe, Sparta—"Have no pets. We did have a small aquarium which included a turtle named 'Hitler' because he was so mean, but have that no longer."

Piney Creek School & Community News

By MARY SUE REEVES An inspiring chapel program was given by the Seniors here Monday. The program was opened by the singing of "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp" followed by a poem, "Our Country," by June Cox; a talk, "Take Your Place," by Graham Pugh; a poem, "I Am an American," by Betty Wagoner; a talk on "The Flag of Our Country," by Mary Sue Reeves and was brought to a close by the singing of "America."

Mt. Zion News Betty Mae Wagoner, of Piney Creek, spent the week-end with Logene Pugh.

Mrs. Willie Cox and daughters, June, Faye and Charlene, of Piney Creek, spent Sunday with Mrs. Mattie Smith and Miss Edna Rae Smith.

Mary Lou Grubb visited Miss Levon Church, of Scottville, last Saturday.

S. E. Smith visited his nephew, Blake Hampton, of Piney Creek, last Thursday.

Ella Ruth Hampton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Blake Hampton, is ill.

H. C. Smith, of Farmer, Tenn., is spending a few days with his family in this community.

Lottie Smith visited Oma and Liby Church, Sunday.

Fred Pugh visited Thomas Smith Sunday.

Evidently Thomas Smith believes in being prepared. He was seen with a joke of oxen hitched to a mowing machine Friday afternoon.

Mrs. T. E. Pugh, Ray Fields and S. E. Smith were shopping in Sparta Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Mabe has returned home from a visit in Idaho.

HAYNES-PLUMMER Mrs. F. E. Haynes announces the marriage of her daughter, Lillian Jessie to Luther E. Plummer, on Thursday, Jan. 8th at Boise, Idaho.

Mr. Plummer is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Plummer. The Plummers moved from Alleghany county to Filer, Idaho, a number of years ago. They have a host of relatives and friends in Alleghany county.

Topia News By MRS. D. M. PUGH Staff Correspondent J. A. Moxley is ill. He was visited last week by Dr. B. C. Wadell, of Grassy Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Denny Angell and daughter, Thelma, of Kanapolis, spent the week-end with their father and grandfather, W. R. Pugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Carey D. Blevins and Mr. F. J. Pugh visited Mrs. F. J. Pugh, who is a patient in the Ashe County hospital, Jefferson, Sunday.

Mr. Fred Weaver spent the week-end with his family here. Kyle Douglas, of Pennsylvania, spent the week-end with relatives near here. His wife who was formerly Miss Irene Church, will accompany him to Pennsylvania, where they plan to make their home.

Miss Velma Pugh, Lenoir, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Pugh.

Those visiting in the home of Eugene Black, Sunday, were: Mrs. Flora Moxley, Misses Lorene Moxley, Doris and Vesta Grace Blevins; R. E. Landreth, of Piney Creek, Hynsen and Maurice Blevins.

Ray Blevins, of Pennsylvania, is spending some time here with his mother, Mrs. Belle Blevins.

Mr. Floyd J. Pugh left Sunday to spend a few days with his son, Paul Pugh, at Hudson.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Pugh, Sunday, were: Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pugh and son, Dale; Misses Lorene Moxley and Jackie Fairloth, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Weaver, Ray Blevins and Mrs. O. E. Moxley.

Mrs. Maude Pierce, of Crumpler, spent Sunday, with Mrs. Lillie Williams and Mrs. Mottie Phipps.

The farmers enjoyed an interesting talk by R. E. Black at the meeting held at J. T. Miles' store last week.

Mr. Omer Edwards and family visited at Mr. Clate Bennett's last

Statement of Financial Affairs of the LENS-GRANDIANT MUTUAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

NORTH WILKESBORO, NORTH CAROLINA FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1941

If You Have Not Already Paid Your January Assessment, Do So Now!

IMPORTANT!

We are asked the question from time to time relative to whether you should keep the insurance paid for those of our boys who are in the army—and the answer is always YES! A number of things could happen that would deprive them of obtaining insurance after serving their time in the army, and too, there is always some expense if something does happen, which will not be reimbursed by the Government.

Your son's insurance with us is worth \$100.00 regardless of what the Government does about it if he is killed.

The question is often asked again: "Can you get our boy for us if he is killed in service?" We trust that none of you will need us, but we CAN and WILL go any place within reason that you want us to go, and we can collect from the Government the same as any other person who takes care of our boys from our community.

Your problems are ours, and if for any reason your son in the army should want to get in touch with you, and you are not close by a telephone, just have him call or wire us and if the road is not open to your house, we will open it.

I assure you of my personal appreciation for your cooperation and friendship through every day that is past and I trust that regardless of the clouds that now hang over us that the sun will come through and 1942 will be the brightest year for you and yours.

Yours to serve you and to help you,

W. K. Sturdivant Secretary-Treasurer.

Your January Assessment Is Now Due. Be Sure To Make Payment Before Grace Period Expires.

RECEIPTS Table with columns: Description, Total, White Division, Colored Division. Includes Cash Balance Shown on Last Report, Total Assessments Collected, Membership Fees Collected, Interest on Time Deposits, etc.

DISBURSEMENTS Table with columns: Description, Total, White Division, Colored Division. Includes Salaries and Labor, Bonds and Taxes, Postage, Office Supplies & Printed Forms, Office Equipment, Advertising, Miscellaneous.

ASSETS Table with columns: Description, Total, White Division, Colored Division. Includes Cash on Hand, Bank Deposits, U. S. Government Bonds and Building and Loan Stocks.

LIABILITIES Table with columns: Description, Total, White Division, Colored Division. Includes Advance Assessments on Hand, Total Current Liabilities.

Summary Table with columns: Description, Total, White Division, Colored Division. Includes Surplus, Death Benefits Paid during 1941, Net Membership December 31, 1941.

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the personal knowledge of the undersigned. W. K. STURDIVANT, Secretary-Treasurer

MEMORIAM

Large table listing names of deceased individuals, their addresses, and dates of death. Includes names like Viola Faircliff Bumgarner, James T. Allen, Perry Vera Johnson, etc.

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