

41,000 Persons Stricken With Polio In 1949

Nation's Worst Record Is Set In Year Just Past And National Epidemic Fund Is Depleted

EACH INDIVIDUAL IS ASKED FOR 35 CENTS

Annual March Of Dimes To Get Underway In County At Middle Of Month;

The calendar year closed on the worst polio year in the history of the disease in the United States.

Upon its pages are the following grim notations: Number of people stricken—well over 41,000. Cost to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis—\$31 million. Victims of the 1949 polio epidemics who will need care during 1950—some 17,000. Epidemic financial aid reserves—practically zero.

These were the facts cited today by Taft Hewett, polio chairman in Brunswick County, as

volunteers prepared to launch the March of Dimes.

The polio committees all over the nation are attempting to rid the individual family of the fear of "How can I meet the bills? Where will I find the money?" This situation, Hewett said, can exist only so long as funds are provided through the March of Dimes.

Hewett emphasized that unless the public response is adequate to take care of the sufferers under the present plan, there will be no alternative except to let each family care for its victims as best it can.

The polio chairman continued: "Each family in Brunswick County should try to figure out what it would do if a person in the family should be stricken with polio and have to remain in the hospital for a year at a cost of about \$340 per month.

Continued From Page One That would be the problem each family would face if there were no polio program. But the polio committee is not asking each family for even \$34. We are asking for three and one-half dimes per person. Isn't that cheap insurance against the tragedy of polio? We hope that those in

better circumstances will do much more than 35 cents per person, but certainly no family should

Grand Champion Steer Brings Record \$11.50 Per Pound



CHICAGO, ILL.—A record price of \$11.50 a pound, for a total of \$13,800 was paid for "Judge Roy Bean," Grand Champion steer at the International Livestock Exposition. High bidder at the auction was Dearborn Motors Corp., Detroit, national marketing organization for Ford tractors. The champion Hereford steer, exhibited by the Pecos County, Texas, 4-H Club, weighed 1200 pounds. The record price was 75 cents a pound higher than the previous top of \$10.75 paid for last year's International Grand Champion.

The patrol spent 127,383 hours on duty, traveling 1,268,822 miles. Fifty-nine persons were killed and 717 injured in 1,263 accidents investigated by the patrol.

Patrol Inspects Motor Vehicles

Many Light, Equipment And Warning Tickets Issued In November; 33,620 Lights Corrected

RALEIGH—Highway patrolmen inspected 100,133 vehicles during November in connection with a drive to remove faulty vehicles from the highways of the State, the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles reported today.

A total of 1,389 light tickets, 6,415 equipment tickets and 3,173 warning tickets were issued. Lights numbered 33,620.

hesitate to contribute three and one-half dimes for each member in order that our polio obligations may be met.

The intensive portion of the March of Dimes will begin about the middle of January.

Simon L. Soles Taken By Death

TABOR CITY—Simon L. Soles, 64, farmer of Tabor City, route 1, died at the Conway, S. C., hospital Wednesday night.

Funeral services were held from the Oakdale church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Otto Edwards and the Rev. S. A. Hatley officiated. Interment was made in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife; four sons, Simon Soles, Jr. and Winston, L. Soles, Tabor City, route 1; Sgt. Lloyd C. Soles, Ft. Benning, Ga.; Cpl. Duclid W. Soles, Phoenixville, Pa.; three daughters, Mrs. Esther Mae Graham Chance, Church Hill, Md.; five brothers, Jordan, Dan and Curtie Soles,

Complaints investigated numbered 6,908. A total of 6,337 citations were handed out and 7,127 arrests were made, 545 of which were for drunken driving. Of persons charged with violations, 6,766 were found guilty and 669 not guilty. Those convicted received sentences totaling 126 years, three months and 42 days.

Three hundred and one vehicles were weighed and 100 were found to be overloaded. The patrol recovered 51 stolen vehicles. Court cases were listed at 16,371. First aid was rendered in seven cases and three fires were extinguished. A total of 102,376 driver's licenses were inspected on the highway.

The value of cars and property returned to individuals was set at \$42,850. Fines turned over to county school funds amounted to \$154,746.41. Costs turned into counties where cases were tried totaled \$82,758.91. Highway revenue, including overland and improper licensing, was \$966.95, for a grand total of \$274,077.27.

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Mrs. Cora Newton Succumbs At Ash

Mrs. Cora Gore Newton, 61, died Friday night at 8 o'clock at her home at Ash in Brunswick County after a short illness.

Last rites were conducted Sunday at the home of her brother, L. E. Gore, with Rev. Vance Simmons officiating. Interment followed in Griffin Cemetery.

Surviving are a son, Norman Newton of Pelon, S. C.; a daughter, Mrs. Kathleen McKeithen, of Ash; three brothers, Olen, Lester and Youth H. Gore, all of Ash; four sisters, Mrs. Almira Turlington of Hope Mills, and Mrs. Roxie Tripp, Mrs. Ressie Millican and Mrs. Ida McCumbee, all of Ash; and eight grandchildren.

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Tabor City, route 1; the Rev. A. R. Soles and John Soles of Loris, S. C., and one sister, Mrs. Mollie Spivey, Loris route 1.

BARBECUE

The Rev. Earl Helms, pastor of Antioch Baptist church, was honored by members of his congregation at a barbecue Friday afternoon. About forty guests were present.

HOME ON FURLOUGH

Pfc. Hulan M. Thorpe has returned to Oliver General Hospital, Augusta, Ga., after spending a twelve day furlough with his brother, Walter T. Thorpe, of Winnabow. Pfc. Thorpe spent one year in Korea and four months in Japan. Pfc. Thorpe left Toyko, Japan, on November 26th and flew to Augusta, Ga.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Williams announce the birth of a daughter, Delorah Lee, on December 16, 1949. Mrs. Williams is the former Miss Zelda Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Evans of Southport. At the present time Mr. Williams is serving aboard the U. S. S. LST-1153 at Norfolk, Va.

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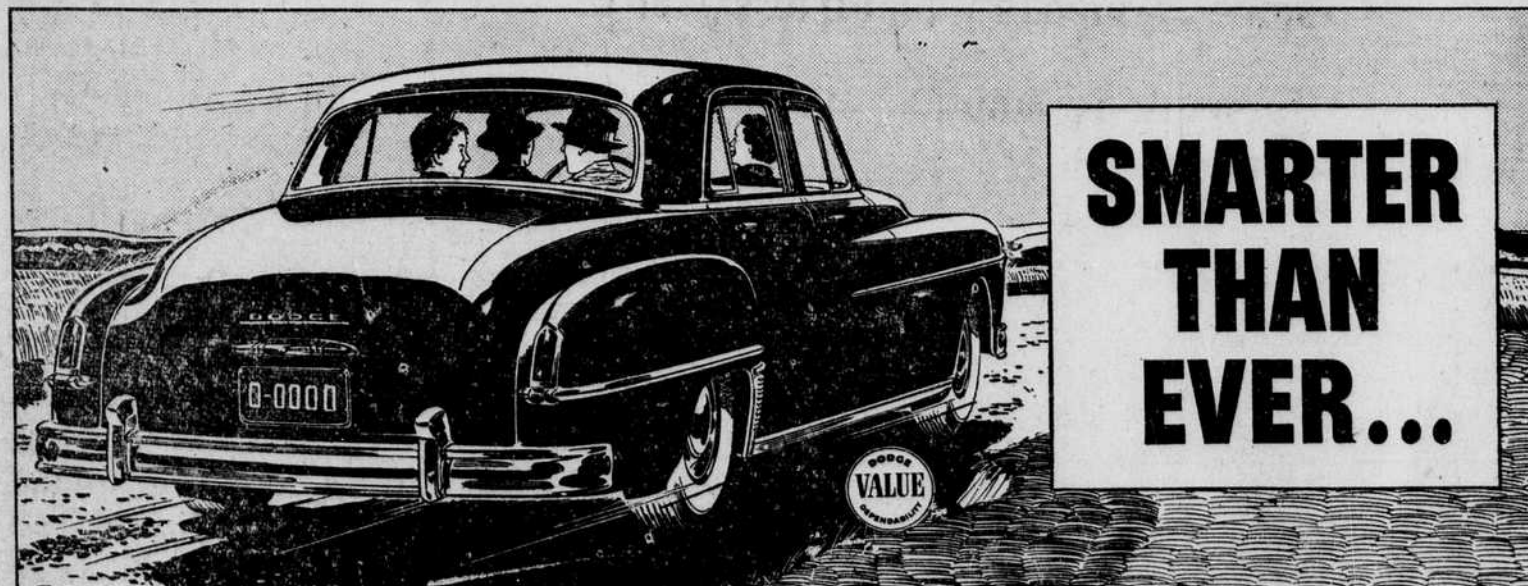
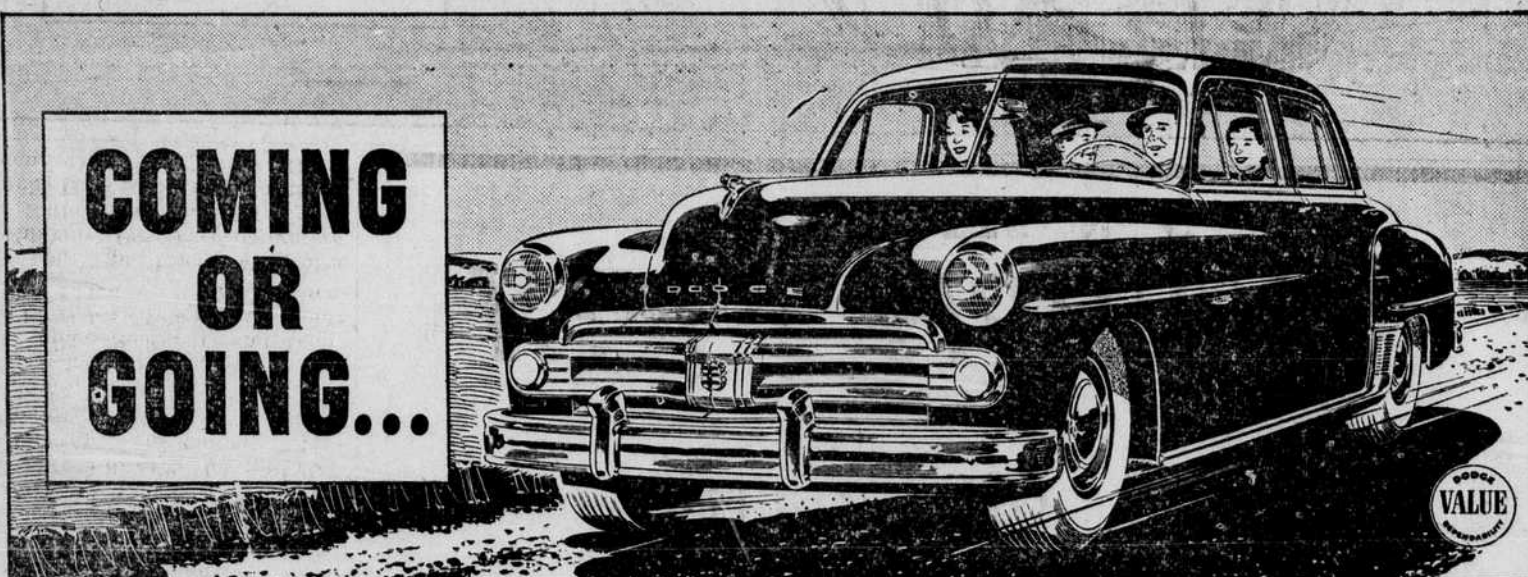
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