

New Drug Used On Leukemia Victim



Two-year-old Nancy Love (right) of Steubenville, O., has been treated for leukemia for nearly three months with a new drug known as aminopterin. Her parents hope she is cured, but doctors say improvement in her condition may be only temporary. She is playing at home with her sister, Cheryl (left), and her mother, Mrs. E. J. Love, Jr. She received the new treatment in the Ohio State University hospital at Columbus. (AP Wirephoto).

Jack Cooper Gets Award For New Method Of Cutting Tapes On Frames At Rosemary Manufacturing Company

A Rosemary Manufacturing Company employee's idea on a slightly different method of doing something that had for years been another way recently paid off a cash dividend, when a textile magazine picked it up for publication and paid off on the suggestion.

W. T. (Jack) Cooper, second hand in Rosemary's Number One spinning room, has been working for the company for over 28 years.

Recently he started wondering why the tapes on spinning frame are inclined to ravel on the ends where they are cut off straight and re-sewn with a slight overlap. That the tapes ravel is common knowledge to most spinning room employees, however Cooper decided to do something about it.

He tried cutting the ends at an angle and got the same results a seamstress gets with pinking shears. Instead of having a tendency to fray on the ends and wear it sooner, the tapes stayed in place longer.

Cooper sat down and wrote out his idea for a "suggestion box" column in the Textile World magazine, suggesting the simple plan of using the bias cut on the spinning tapes.

In the next issue of the trade magazine his idea was published as an information exchange service and the employee whose simple plan for improving on commonplace operation was rewarded with a check from the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company, publishers of the magazine.

Cooper, who lives at 1015 Jackson street, is married and is the father of five children.

He said today that he was pleased his idea had been accepted by the magazine and was even more pleased with the check. "The only thing I can't figure out is why it took me so long to catch on to the idea when it was so obvious," he said.

China Grove Couple Wins Second Straight State Fair Award

Raleigh, Oct. 20—(P)—Mr. and Mrs. James A. Patterson of China Grove, Route 1, have repeated as winners of top money for the best individual farm display at the State fair.

Judges yesterday gave the Patersons a blue ribbon and the A-1 prize of 700 for their display. Last year the couple won first prize for the model farm display of products yielded by their 88-acre "Twin Oak Farm."

Forecast Is Fair, Warmer

By The Associated Press
A cold air mass which hit the western and Piedmont Carolinas yesterday reached eastern sections this morning. It passed out of the Carolinas today, and the forecast was fair and warmer through tomorrow.

Eastern parts were coldest early today, with the exception of a low of 29 at Asheville and 23 at Mount Mitchell. Here are the minimums for the 24 hours ended at 7:30 a. m.:

Florence 35, Lumberton 33, Winston-Salem 38, Hickory 34, Greenville, S. C., 39, Anderson 36, Elizabeth City 38, Rocky Mount 36, Cherry Point 39, New Bern 33, Wilmington 36, Myrtle Beach 32, Rocky Mount 34, Greensboro 35, Charlotte 36, Spartanburg 43, Charleston 37, Columbia 33.

Weather

North Carolina—Fair weather, warmer today and tonight; not much change in temperatures Thursday.

City Commissioners Appropriate \$7,658 Fund To Get Long-Range Rec Program Started

Recreation Group Requests Action At Joint Meeting

BY BILL DAVEY

The Roanoke Rapids City Commissioners last night took a step forward in the provision of an adequate long-range recreation plan for the city by appropriating enough to start such a program on its way to completion.

The city's governing body, which a few weeks ago established by ordinance a city Recreation Commission, accepted the recommendations made by the Commission, at a joint meeting of the two groups and appropriated a total of \$7,658 to give the Commission a start in its work.

According to recommendations made by the Recreation Commission the appropriation will be used to (1) have a long-range recreation program drawn up for the city by a recreational planning expert, (2) to hire a full-time director of recreational activities for the city for the remainder of the fiscal year, and (3) to finance the complete design, drawing and presentation of such a recreation center as is considered adequate for the present and future needs of the city.

The program presented for consideration is one that is complete in scope and one which is designed to take care of the year-round recreational needs of the entire population of Roanoke Rapids. It is slated to include plans for all ages and both sexes.

Ellwood Allen, recreational planning expert of New York City, who has been highly recommended as one of the best men in the country in his field, has been contacted relative to drawing up the long-range plan and is expected to come to Roanoke Rapids on November 9 to consult with Recreation Commission members.

Mentioned in the meeting was the fact that a trained recreational director may possibly be available for employment soon to work with what recreational facilities are now available in developing a better setup and to work with the beginning of the overall planning.

J. H. Mayfield, who was chosen spokesman for the Recreation Commission, made the presentation to the City Board on the work that has been done by the Recreation Commission since the time it was appointed, giving a complete picture of activities in which the members have engaged and the surveys and recommendations that have been made to the Commission. He told the Mayor and Commissioners that Dr. Harold G. Meyer of Chapel Hill, director of the State Recreation Commission, had visited in Roanoke Rapids and had advised a course of action similar to the one the Commission presented to the Commissioners.

In Mayfield's presentation, he said the overall survey and plan would be made for \$1,500, an eight-months' salary for a full-time director would amount to \$2,533 and complete designs, drawings and presentation of a proposed recreation center would amount to \$2,625, totaling \$7,658.

A letter from Dr. Meyer to Allen was read by the city clerk.

Mayfield said, "We're thinking of the youth and future of our city in terms of nickels and dimes, or in thousands of dollars, then we're heading in the wrong direction."

Commissioner W. H. Pruden said, "We can't measure such a program as this will be in terms of dollars and cents. I don't know of any better investment for the people of Roanoke Rapids than the amount the Commission has requested."

Following a general discussion on the merits of the proposal and the great need in the city for an adequate recreation program with complete facilities, there was no opposition to the statement that the need is great and would be of great benefit to the people.

A motion to appropriate the amount named by the Commission was made by Commissioner Pruden and was seconded by Commissioner D. C. Clark.

The motion for the Board to appropriate the \$7,658 requested was approved unanimously.

It was pointed out in the general discussion that the need for a planned program of recreation had been well-demonstrated in the success of the summer playground work which has been carried out in the city under the direction of J. C. Hoyle. During the ten-weeks' summer playgrounds program there was not a single case of juvenile delinquency reported in the local police station, but within a week after the program came to an end there were three cases where juvenile offenders were involved.

Recreation Commission members said a full-time director will give the city an immediate improvement in recreation by planning the further use of limited facilities already available in the city but which are little-used because of lack of qualified supervision. They said there is certainly a great need for better recreation in the city, and proposed to satisfy that need with the long-range plan.

Proposed for construction is a recreation center to take care of every sort of recreational need, and the building of a modern swimming pool in conjunction with the center is included in the recommendation for long-range needs. The site will be a large area of land already available to the city for recreational purposes and located adjacent to West Seventh street near the intersection of Henry street.

Following the adjournment of the meeting the Recreation Commission members decided to confirm immediately the planned visit here of Allen and made plans to get in touch with a recreational director who has been highly recommended by Dr. Meyer.

The Commission members expressed a great deal of satisfaction with the manner in which the proposals had been received by the city officials and predicted approval of the entire project by the local citizens.



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State P.T.A. President Tells District Meet Here More Needs To Be Done For Education

Praises Work Of 1947 State General Assembly

"The needs of our children will not wait," Mrs. E. B. Hunter said here today. "We must take care of those needs today if we are to build into our young people the strength and courage and the wisdom and compassion they need if they are to take their place in the world of tomorrow."

Mrs. Hunter, who is president of the State Parent-Teacher Association, made the principal address at a convention of the Seventh District of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers at Roanoke Rapids High School today.

She said the 1947 North Carolina General Assembly had done a lot in improving public education, health and general welfare of children, but said there is still much to be done.

"The 1947 Legislature made history in the fields of education and health, but they did not do as much as was needed," Mrs. Hunter said.

The state president pointed out that in spite of raises in teachers' salaries the teachers have still not been given the 2,400 annual minimum starting wage which was recommended by the North Carolina Education Association. She said all parent-teacher organizations and other groups interested in child welfare want definite action for bettering the lot of children in the 1949 session of the General Assembly.

She said the health program set up for the state was a good plan, but said the machinery is not any good to the state until interested groups like the PTA organizations see to it that the machinery is set in motion.

Mrs. Hunter told Seventh District delegates that buildings are still needed in the state school system, classrooms are still overcrowded and trained teachers are being forced into other more lucrative fields with their places taken by less capable people. She said the PTA's summer roundup program needs improvement and added that there is much work to be done in pre-school programs all over the state.

She pointed out that Congress has set up a four-point program of aid in improving child welfare in school education, health, education.

She said the PTA has long been interested in world understanding through its overall program. "We have found through two world wars that we cannot hope for lasting gain if we forget the children of other countries," she added.

Mrs. Hunter said she is pleased with the work being carried on in this district, but emphasized that the PTA still has a big responsibility to the children at all times.

Graham Urges Support Of Federal Education Aid

Greenville, Oct. 20—(P)—Support for federal aid in education was urged here yesterday by Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the Greater University of North Carolina.

He spoke before 1,500 teachers from 22 counties at the 26th annual convention of the North Carolina Education Association's Northeastern District.

Federal aid in education, he said, can mean equality of opportunity, freedom of the human mind and peace in a troubled world.

A. C. Dawson, Jr., of Southern Pines, NECA president, outlined his legislative program for 1949, including higher teacher pay, reduced teacher loads and state aid in school construction.

S. G. Chappell of Wilson was presented as the new district president, succeeding E. C. Fundeburk of Elizabeth City. Mrs. Carolyn Harris of Swan Quarter is the new secretary.

Final Rites For PFC Woodruff Are Friday

The body of Private First Class Charles Edward Woodruff, who died in Germany of October 2, 1945, from injuries received in an accident will arrive in Roanoke Rapids for burial services.

Pfc. Woodruff was born in Jackson, but had lived in Halifax County since early childhood. He attended the Hawkins Chapel school and prior to his enlistment in the U.S. Army was employed by the Rosemary Manufacturing Company.

At the time of his death he was 35, and his home address was 903 Henry street, Roanoke Rapids.

On arrival here tomorrow the body will be taken to Williams Funeral Home from which funeral services will be conducted Friday afternoon at four o'clock by the Rev. W.R. Stevens, pastor of Rosemary Methodist Church.

Interment will be in the family plot at Cedarwood cemetery, and full military rites will be given by the honor guard of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars post.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Fanny Ruth Barnette Woodruff, and three sons, Charles Edward, Jr., Dennis Dean and Ronald, all of the home, his mother, Mrs. Hattie Woodruff of route two Roanoke Rapids; one sister, Mrs. Bertha Morgan of route one Roanoke Rapids; and one brother, Carl Woodruff of route two.

Company Plans Road Connecting Two Beaches

Nags Head, N. C., Oct. 20—(P)—Private financiers today announced plans to build a 57-mile all-weather toll road skirting the Atlantic between Nags Head and Virginia Beach, Va.

Wayland J. Sermons, of Washington, N. C., president of the recently-organized Carolina-Virginia Coastal Corp., said the group would apply for a state charter.

The proposed road would extend 20 miles in the back Bay region of Virginia and 37 miles along the coast of Currituck and Dare counties, North Carolina. It would pass through hunting, fishing and recreational areas.

Other officers of the corporation are Sidney Banks, of the Cavalier Hotel, Virginia Beach, Vice-President; and L. H. Garrison of the Virginia Ferry Corp., New Castle, Del., Treasurer.

Truman Makes Strong Plea For Party Unity In Raleigh Address

Raleigh, Oct. 20—(P)—President Truman had returned to Washington today after making strong pleas here yesterday for Democrats to stand "shoulder to shoulder."

Even before the President had made the plea to a friendly crowd of about 25,000 persons at the State Fair, the State Democratic executive committee had adopted a resolution pledging support to the President.

Without mentioning the States' Rights Democratic Party and the Progressive Party by name, the President asserted they "don't stand a chance."

"Either the standard Republicans will buy the election or the standard Democrats will win," he said, and a vote for third or fourth party movements is "the same as a vote for the Republican candidate."

The President reminded farmers in his audience that their cash farm receipts "are running eight times what they were in 1932," that they received \$380,000,000 for their tobacco last year compared with \$6,000,000 in 1932 and more than three times as much for cotton as in

Stripped-Down Planes Flown By Daredevils Plus American Radar Beat Buzz-Bomb, Briton Reports

London, Oct. 20—(P)—Stripped-down fighter planes flown by daredevils and anti-aircraft guns sighted with American gadgets whipped Hitler's buzz bombs, Air Chief Marshal Sir Roderick Hill says in a report published today.

Sir Roderick bossed Britain's air defenses from seven months before D-Day until the end of the war in Europe.

When the buzz bombs were licked, the Germans sent rockets whooming across the channel at 2,500 miles an hour. These proved too much for either defensive method, but bombing attacks on the rocket storage dumps kept the menace in hand.

Sir Roderick had been equipped beforehand by intelligence reports and knew what he would be up against when Germany began to use her buzz bombs against Britain.

London was ringed with barrage balloons, anti-aircraft guns and fighter patrols.

Fighter pilots tried shooting from the side, from head-on and from behind the fly-bombs. Eighteen planes were damaged and six men killed because they came too close to fire and got caught by the bomb's explosion when it was hit.

Some pilots locked wingtips with the buzzbombs and tipped them into the sea.

Even the American made Mustang (P-51) and latest model Spitfire XVI's were not quite fast enough to catch the 400-mile-an-hour bombs.

Then Sir Roderick ordered the planes "stripped of their armor and all unnecessary external fittings and that their paint be removed and outer surfaces polished." The extra 30 miles an hour speed let the planes keep up with the bombs.

This defense was only moderately effective. Then American radar and electrical gun pointing devices arrived.

In the first five weeks, under the old setup, an average of twenty five bombs a day dropped in London.

By August 28, with the new defense scheme in operation, 97 bombs chugged toward England. Defenders knocked down 90, three more fell in the countryside and only four dropped in London.

Fighters got 23, guns 65, and balloon cables downed two more. Only one-fourth of the ten thousand V-bombs and rockets reached the spreading area of the London defense region.

Local Man Is Charged With Rape

Chester Hollistr Brown, Roanoke Rapids man was being held in the local jail this morning on a charge with assault and attempt to commit rape, after Francis Alston, 21, Littleton Negro girl, had sworn out a warrant against him. Sheriff H. A. House said Brown denies the charges emphatically.

J. W. Harvey, Littleton justice of the peace, said this morning the girl had come before him yesterday afternoon around two o'clock asking that a warrant be issued for the Roanoke Rapids man. Harvey said he questioned the girl closely and she told him that Brown had come to the small store-service station-pool room operated by Haywood Lee on the outskirts of Littleton and had attempted to rape her on a pool table.

Harvey said the girl told him Brown had driven up to the station in a produce truck about noon and had asked if she wanted to buy some potatoes. She said she was alone in the place at the time and had told Brown she did not want to buy anything. She said he then grappled with her and carried her to a pool table and attempted to rape her.

The justice of the peace said he understood two Negro men had entered the station about that time, and Brown left.

Lee, the girl's uncle and owner of the place of business, said he was told of the incident and started looking for Brown in Littleton. He said he and some others saw the produce truck being driven out of town toward Roanoke Rapids and gave chase but were unable to stop the truck.

Brown drove to the Roanoke Rapids police station and told officer J. W. High who was on duty in the station that he had been chased and, according to High, the Littleton Negroes came in the station about that time along with Police Chief T. J. Davis, who took charge.

Brown was temporarily detained here until a warrant had been drawn in Littleton. Justice Harvey said after the Alston girl had sworn out the warrant, he called Chief Davis and asked that Brown be kept in custody.

Chief Davis is out of town on business and could not be reached for a statement.

Sheriff H. A. House said this morning that Brown is being held in jail until a \$5,000 bond is posted. The sheriff said he did not know when a hearing will be held in the case and said Brown has employed counsel. He said he may take Brown to the county jail in Halifax today if the required bond is not posted.

Brown, who operates a produce company with his brother here, is a native of Rumford, Maine. He has made his home in Roanoke Rapids since this summer and was recently married.

The corporal said Patrolman Durwood Peery's resignation will go into effect tomorrow. Peery has been stationed at Littleton and has been with the Patrol only about two months. He came here from Zebulon, and the corporal said he is returning to Zebulon to accept a position with the Carolina Power and Light Company, with which he worked before he joined the Patrol.

Lane said he expects replacement patrolmen to be sent here to take the places of the men who are resigning, however he said he does not know just when they will report for duty.

Lane Announces Resignation Of Two Patrolmen

Corporal Logan B. Lane of the State Highway Patrol here announced today that two of the patrolmen in his division have recently turned in their resignations from the patrol.

Lane said the resignation of Patrolman Jimmie Woodall, has been stationed at Weldon, was effective on October 15. Woodall, who has been with the Highway Patrol for the past two years, has accepted a position as an insurance adjuster with a firm in Raleigh, where he will make his headquarters. Woodall is a native of Raleigh.

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Canada And Big Five Get Atom Problem

Paris, Oct. 20 (AP)—The United Nations voted today to turn the atomic energy dispute over to the Big Five and Canada, with instructions to try for agreement on basic principles.

The 58-nation political committee rejected a Soviet proposal which would have outlawed the Atom bomb simultaneously with setting up of an atomic energy control organization.

The committee also rejected an Indian proposal to send the U.N. atomic commission back to work on treaty for controls on the basis of findings approved by the majority but rejected by Russia.

The vote on the Soviet proposal was 39 to 6 with seven abstentions. Only the six Soviet-bloc nations voted for it.

The vote came as the Western powers looked hopefully to the six neutral nations of the Security Council to produce a resolution asking the Russians to lift the land blockade in Berlin. The neutrals, however, were reported trying to steer clear of becoming too deeply involved in the big power dispute over Germany.

The committee began final discussions of a Canadian proposal directing the five big powers—the United States, Russia, Britain, France and China—to consult directly in an effort to agree on basic principles for atomic controls.

Wallace Says Truman Should Fire Marshall

Philadelphia, Oct. 20—(AP)—Henry Wallace said today the administrators of the Taft-Hartley act, by recent decisions, "have set the stage for an era of violence."

As he neared the end of a four-week airplane trip seeking votes for president, Wallace demanded that President Truman fire these men:

1. Robert N. Denham, general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board.
2. Secretary of State Marshall.