

**Congressman**  
**L. H. FOUNTAIN**

**Reports**  
**TO THE PEOPLE**



WASHINGTON, D. C. . . . One recent day — a fairly typical day — I was present at two events vastly different but immensely important to us in the Second District.

The subjects were the Roanoke River and Vietnam.

I flew down early that morning to Roanoke Rapids to a hearing called by the Army Engineers to see if it would be feasible to dredge a barge channel from Williamston to the Roanoke Rapids-Weldon area.

Arguments expressed in favor of the project were impressive. A spokesman for a chemical firm said a barge channel could reduce transportation costs by 50 percent in 15 years.

The dramatic savings that a waterway to the coast would make possible were also emphasized by other industrialists, businessmen, public officials and civic leaders.

Those savings to industry can easily be translated into benefits for a large portion of Eastern North Carolina. Cheaper transportation costs mean increased production for existing plants, encouragement for new industry and more jobs for the region. Jobs are the key to any economic progress.

Even if the study should indicate an acceptable benefits to cost ratio, it would be some time before the channel could actually be dredged. But if the Engineers recommend that the project be carried out, I will do everything I can to get Congress to authorize it

and thereafter appropriate the necessary funds.

Even under the most favorable circumstances, however, these matters are regrettably long and drawn out.

After attending the Roanoke Rapids meeting, I flew back to Washington to hear General Westmoreland's stirring speech before a joint session of Congress.

Most Americans will agree with his statement that the war in Vietnam can be carried to a victorious conclusion if we maintain our resolve.

That is the key: our resolve. As a nation, we have always prided ourselves on seeing a job through. To see this one through, we must give our troops every ounce of support they need. And that includes our resolve above all.

Of course, that resolve also means, among other things, doing whatever needs to be done on land, sea and in the air.

Following the Westmoreland speech to Congress, I attended a White House luncheon and further briefing by the General with several Committees of Congress, the Cabinet and a number of Governors.

Although on that occasion he gave us a good deal of detailed information about the war, he still emphasized the need for a united country. Reports from Hanoi, he said, indicate that North Vietnam is putting considerable hope on the lack of or failure of our resolve.

We of course cannot let that happen.

To top off that particular

**HOME DEMONSTRATION CORNER**

EMILY BALLINGER, County Home Economics Agent

The Home Economics Extension Agent announces the following schedule:

Monday, May 15: Office.  
Tuesday, May 16: Office.  
Wednesday, May 17: The Oakville Extension Homemakers Club will meet at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. K. G. Copley.

Thursday, May 18: The Afton Extension Homemakers Club will meet at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Melville Hicks.

Friday, May 19: The Arcola Extension Homemakers Club will meet at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Willie Robertson.

**Schedule Of Homemakers Meeting**

**MRS. BERTHA B. FORTE**  
Home Economics Extension Agent

Tuesday, May 16: 8:00 p. m., Snow Hill Homemakers will meet with Mrs. Mary J. Jordan.

Wednesday, May 17: 1:00 p. m., Burchette Homemakers will meet at the Educational Building.

7:30 p. m., Liberia Homemakers will meet with Mrs. Alice Braxton.

Thursday, May 18: 7:30 p. m., Cool Spring Homemakers will meet at the Educational Building.

**SENIOR CITIZENS DAY**

The observance of May as Senior Citizen Month began in 1957, ten years ago, when Governors of 39 states issued proclamations designating May as Senior Citizens Month, marking the first nationwide observance.

In 1958, May was observed

day, after the White House briefing, I flew back to the second District and spoke to the Tarboro Junior Chamber of Commerce.

as Senior Citizens Month in 41 states. In 1959, 43 states. In 1960, 1961 and '62, 48 states observed Senior Citizens Month.

In 1963, President Kennedy became the first President to proclaim May as Senior Citizens Month.

On March 26, 1964, President Johnson signed a proclamation naming May Senior Citizens Month, urging that all citizens make "opportunities for older Americans to become a living reality."

The purposes of Senior Citizens Month are:

- \* to honor senior citizens.
- \* to make their needs known.
- \* to publicize services that are available to them.
- \* to mobilize support for general programs for senior citizens.
- \* to encourage communities and organizations to do more.
- \* to recognize the talents of senior citizens.
- \* to provide opportunities for older Americans to contribute their experience, skills and wisdom.

Nobody grows old by merely living a number of years. People grow old by deserting their needs, their ideas. Years wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul.

Worry, doubt, self-distrust, fear and despair,—these bow heads and turn the growing spirit back to dust.

As Senior Citizens, "Live every day of your life as though you expect to live forever."

**Grant Is Made For Headstart Operation**

A two-month Federal grant of \$60,032, for a continuance of a Head Start—Child Development program in Franklin, Vance and Warren Counties, was announced yesterday by Leveo V. Sanchez, Director, Middle Atlantic Region, OEO. The applicant agency is the Educational Council of the Memorial Recreation Forest, Inc., and the local share of the grant is \$8,744.

Designed to benefit some 300 pre-school children, the program includes the regular Head Start curriculum, along with full medical, dental, hearing, sociological and psychological services.

This two-month extension is awarded pending implementation by Franklin, Vance, Warren Opportunity, Inc., of an amended Head Start proposal. There are 24 professional employees, and 76 non-professional, a large number of whom are volunteers.

**Two Former Warrenton Women Presented Awards**

Two alumnae of Peace College who have Warren County ties were honored with Distinguished Alumnae Awards at the annual Alumnae Day luncheon on May 6. Mrs. Wright Tisdale, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan (nee Mariam Boyd of Warrenton, N. C.); and Mrs. Reece Berryhill, Chapel Hill, N. C. (the former Norma Connell of Warren County) were recipients of these awards.

A resume of some of the accomplishments of the two Warrenton women, with comments, was released by the college this week as follows:

**MARIAM BOYD TISDALE**

In the 1938 LOTUS, there are many photogenic girls. Among the photographs are two of much interest to us today—one of a charming girl in an evening dress, a member of the Junior Class; the other an attractive girl wearing what appears to be a tuxedo coat and bow tie, as a member of Phi Theta Mu of which she was secretary. Both photographs carry the name Mariam Boyd, Warrenton, North Carolina. After two years at Peace College, Mrs. Tisdale spent two years at Salem College—one in liberal arts and another in business.

Then she put her training to use for she worked as book-keeper-cashier in her father's tobacco auction warehouse and later as an engraving clerk in the North Carolina Legislature of 1941.

On her marriage to Wright Tisdale, of Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1942, Mrs. Tisdale made her home in New York City for eleven years before the family moved to Michigan.

Mrs. Tisdale has written, "Most of my time in the last twenty-five years has been spent being a wife and mother, and that is what I am most happy doing." She enjoys golf and fishing with her family. She gardens, cooks, sews, knits, does needlepoint, and finds time for bridge.

The Tisdales have two sons, Wright Tisdale, Jr., who last summer married a North Carolina girl, Kay Holland, of Gastonia, and Norwood Boyd Tisdale, a student.

Mrs. Tisdale's husband is vice-president and general counsel for Ford Motor Company, yet he finds time to serve on many Boards and Committees, among them the Peace College Board of Visitors.

Mrs. Tisdale is active in the Methodist Church and most active in the work of the Women's Society of Christian Service. She is a sustaining member of the Junior League and has participated in many volunteer programs. She served as director of the Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills branch of the Needlework Guild of America, having been the president of the branch and state chairman for Michigan. She is a member of the Village Woman's Club of Birmingham. She is a member of the Colonial Dames of the State of North Carolina. She has had a part in raising funds for the United Fund, Cancer Society, Birmingham Community House, and the Meadow Brook Music Festival.

Mrs. Tisdale, Peace Col-

lege is proud of you, your high standards and your generous, kindly spirit. Your alma mater is proud to name you a distinguished alumna.

**NORMA CONNELL BERRYHILL**

Norma Connell Berryhill (Mrs. Reece Berryhill of Chapel Hill, North Carolina) was born in Warren County and was one of nine children. She was graduated from Peace College, The University of North Carolina with a Sociology Major—and did graduate work at Columbia University—where she lived in the East Side Settlement House working with newly arrived foreign women who were striving to obtain their citizenship papers. She spent several years as Dean of Girls at Central High School in Charlotte.

She married Dr. Reece Berryhill in 1930. At that time, he was resident physician and instructor at the University Hospital at Western Reserve School of Medicine in Cleveland, Ohio. While in Cleveland, Mrs. Berryhill worked with the newly formed Girls' Bureau, a division which had charge of the work with delinquent girls.

Dr. Berryhill accepted a position at the University of North Carolina as Director of Student Health and a member of the faculty of the School of Medicine in 1933, so the family came to Chapel Hill where they have spent the rest of their lives. Dr. Berryhill became Dean of the School of Medicine in 1943 and retired in 1966, after rendering outstanding service to the University of North Carolina during a great expansion period of the Medical School. His work there brought him national recognition professionally.

During these years, Mrs. Berryhill kept pace with the

professional advancement of her husband, and made a noteworthy contribution herself to the University of North Carolina.

Mrs. Berryhill has made many contributions to the University. She became the moving spirit and organizing president of the University Women's Club, which has rendered a great service to the University.

Again, as wife of the Dean of the Medical School (for 23 years) she has shown a great concern for helping faculty wives in the School of Medicine to adjust happily to Chapel Hill. She organized and acted as unofficial counselor to the undergraduate Medical Student Wives Association. Similarly, she took the lead in setting up the organization known as the House Affairs Club for wives of interns and residents.

Her services to the University of North Carolina and its Medical School did not end with the retirement of her husband. She was on the organizational committee for the

Women's Auxiliary of the North Carolina Memorial Hospital, working ten years. As a Pink Lady, she still serves on the Board.

She has been interested in and had a responsible part in many other national and local enterprises. She has served

on the Board of Directors of the Tuberculosis Society since 1934, directing the T. B. Christmas Seal Sale in 1934. During the Second World War, she was a Gray Lady with the American Red Cross, working in the Pre-flight Hospital. She has been active in the church work of the Women of the Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church. She has always been interested in and loyal to Peace College, has served most ably in alumnae offices and on the advisory committee.

During these active years, Mrs. Berryhill's home occupied first place in her interest. She and Dr. Berryhill have two daughters and five grandchildren.

A woman of courtesy, charm and graciousness, she is capable, versatile and energetic. She is interested in her fellowman and is never too busy to stop and do any good deed possible. Probably her most prized evaluation is that given by her husband, "Our work could not have succeeded without her many contributions."

She numbers her friends by the hundreds. By her unusual record of outstanding service, she merits the distinguished alumna award of Peace College.

Sir Ernest Swinton is credited with the invention of the military tank in 1914.

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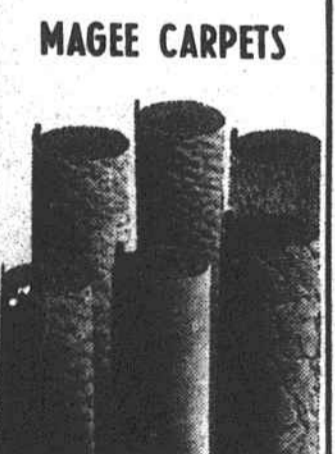


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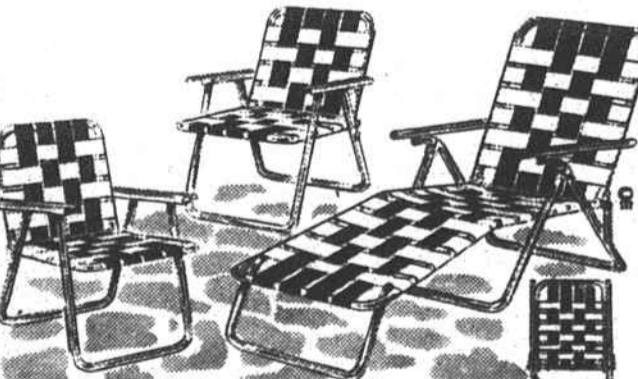
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