

Care Will Reduce High Infant Mortality Rate

Vaccination of Children Under Six Important Preventative of Diphtheria

By Dr. J. Symington, Public Health Officer

With the beginning of the month of May the deaths reported throughout the state of babies under one year of age begin to increase. The months of May, June and July always record a comparatively large number of such deaths in comparison to nearly all of the months of the year.

In 1930, 5,998 deaths of infants during their first year occurred in the state. These figures are based on provisional reports. Additions may be made which will run the number a little higher. This compares with 6,112 deaths the preceding year, showing, with the slightly larger population and the 114 fewer deaths recorded, that the rate for 1930 will look a little better. Nearly all the other states made some progress, and therefore the relative standing of North Carolina as having a high infant death rate remains about the same.

Every agency—public, private, official or professional—should be utilized at the beginning of the month of May to endeavor to reduce the number of such needless deaths this year. Here are some of the diseases which cause this needless high infant death mortality:

Diphtheria which is especially fatal to children under six years of age; it is very important that all children between the ages of six months and six years of age be vaccinated against diphtheria. Measles is more fatal among children under five years of age than among older children; a good precaution would be to have them injected with convalescent parents' blood or serum and thus reduce the deaths and even the occurrence of the disease among children of this age. Summer diarrhea; be careful about the water supply and if from an open well have it boiled before giving to the child. Be careful about milk. Have the milk also boiled before letting the child drink it or take it on their food. As flies carry disease protect all food against flies by keeping the food screened and also by having the doors and windows of the house screened. By attending to those things we feel that this high death rate can be greatly decreased.

R. J. REYNOLDS CO. ELECTS CLAY WILLIAMS PRESIDENT

S. Clay Williams, former vice-president of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, was elected president of that company Wednesday at the annual meeting of the board of directors. Bowman Gray, retiring president, was named chairman of the board of directors, succeeding W. N. Reynolds who, at his own request, retired from that position and was elected chairman of the executive committee. Vice-presidents elected were James A. Gray, T. H. Kirk, R. E. Lasater and C. W. Harris. Other officers were re-elected.

Mr. Williams, the new president, has been with the company since 1917. He is a native of Mooresville, a graduate of Davidson College and also of the law school of the University of Virginia.

OVER FOUR MILLION APPLE TREES IN STATE

There are 4,539 apple trees planted in the commercial and home orchards of North Carolina according to an estimate made by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This estimate is based on reports from 1,113 apple growers and takes in all trees planted up to January 1, 1928.

"Of the total number listed, 7.2 per cent, or 326,844 trees, are not over three years old," says H. R. Niswonger, extension horticulturist at State College. "The largest number of trees are from 4 to 33 years old with this age having 3,676,995 trees or 81 percent of the entire planting while the smallest number of 9,079 trees, or .2 percent, are 74 years and older."

CALIFORNIA MAN NEW PRESIDENT OF KIWANIS

William O. Harris of Los Angeles, Cal., was elected president of Kiwanis International at the annual convention held this week in Miami, Florida. He succeeds Raymond Crossman of Omaha, Neb. Tom Pruitt, governor of the Carolinas district, told the 4,000 delegates and visitors of the splendid work done by the organization in his states, in which there are 62 clubs.

Attending the convention from the Sandhills club were Frank Shamburger of Aberdeen, Herbert Vail of Pinehurst and R. L. Hart of Southern Pines.

Graduation Class of Aberdeen High School, 1931



Reading from left to right, standing: Katherine Melvin, Dan Farrell, Elizabeth Ferree, Winfred Smith, Walter Cook, Marvin Rhyne, Harry DuMeer, Gus Rose, Jack Johnson Alwin Folley, Georgia Wicker, Mabel Brooks and Margaret Miller. Front row, seated: Frances Wimberly, Betty Blue, Marie Adcox, Julia Weaver and Laura Giggee. Second row, seated: Edith Wicker, Myrtle Jordan, Mildred Brooks, Josephine Peele, Fay Lampley, Jessie McCaskill, Eula Lucas and Ruth Wallace.

Interest of Young People in Section and Popularity of Horse Featured 1931 Season Here, Says H. B. Emery

Hotels Enjoyed Good Winter and Much Land Sold for Development of Country Estates

YOUTH PLANTS HIS FEET
..... By Bion H. Butler

The other day I asked H. B. Emery at Pinehurst what his gauge of the winter season just finished is. He said, Good. The hotels have had a good business. More interest has developed, especially in horses, and the bride path has pushed its way to the front until it is one of the major attractions. The sales of property to people interested in winter homes in the Sandhills has been quite satisfactory and with the volume of sales is a feature that is of vast significance. Younger folks are becoming more inclined toward this section. Earlier in the history of Pinehurst many of the homemakers were persons who had been attracted this way as a place wherein they might find quiet and retirement. But this winter younger men with their families have been more prominent than previously, showing that here is not only a place to establish a rest-haven for advancing years, but an exceedingly attractive spot for all the activities and the development of southern homes, with all that pertains to homes for all periods of life."

Mr. Emery cited several cases of younger men securing substantial holdings in the Sandhills during the winter, some in the villages, some in the vicinity where acreage has been the purpose, some farther out where country states are projected, but in nearly all cases the energy of young blood is indicated, and the dream of development seems to be a factor. Mr. Emery has been acquainted with the progress of this section from the early days and is an analytical authority on the trend of affairs. He is firm in the belief that broader foundations have been laid during the past winter for a far greater advance in the immediate future, for a right general sentiment among the winter population has been that as the country emerges from its financial quiet it will peg forward in its industry and progress. The wider acquaintance that comes each winter to the Sandhills brings more people this way all the time, and a proportion of them are pleased to the extent that they establish themselves somewhere in the section.

Territory Widens

Deep River, although not in the sandy belt, has been brought into the region of Sandhills influence. Another year or two promises to see strong hands gathering in holdings in that part of the county, while over toward Overhills a tie appears to be developing that will draw that neighborhood and this one closer together. Drowning Creek gives signs of flanking the farther east and becoming a definite portion of the general community. Southern Pines and Aberdeen are pushing their frontiers out toward the boundary of Fort Bragg all the way from the Ashley Heights Road to the south side of Little River. Little River is moving forward, from the Hoke county line to the Carthage and Pinehurst road.

The villages are growing prodigi-

Your \$25,000?

Prize Winners in Big Cigarette Contest To Be Announced Next Week

Prize winners in the Camel cigarette \$50,000 cash prize contest will be announced next week, say officials of R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. The contest judges and their staff, who have been carefully reading the approximately 1,000,000 entries, have completed their work and plans are now being completed for the actual awarding of the checks.

Thirty-eight prizes, including a first prize of \$25,000, are to be awarded for the best letters on how the new cellophane moisture-proof wrappers on Camel cigarette packages benefit smokers. Second prize will be \$10,000, and third prize \$5,000. There will be five awards of \$1,000 each, five awards of \$500 each and 25 awards of \$100 each.

Judges of the contest are Roy W. Howard, of the Scripps-Howard League of Newspapers; Charles Dana Gibson, famous artist and publisher of Life Magazine, and Ray Long, Editor of Cosmopolitan.

ously, and not only in population, but in the facilities and utilities that mark the boundary between village and city. Schools, churches, homes, streets, adornment, mercantile establishments, sports, theaters, roads, railroad service, telegraph, telephone, bus service and everything are coming. With the growth comes that pronounced attempt to introduce a more comprehensive scheme of landscape work, and in this respect the newcomers are strikingly conspicuous. The new projects along the Midland road are especially prophetic. Burrell White on the place he bought from Barber, Judge Way on his new clearing which he is making on his orchard tract, the Barber improvement over near the airport where Joe Fuller is exercising his ingenuity, the advances the airport is making, and on the same basis in all directions, the signs are bearing out the views of Mr. Emery, that the newcomers are exerting an influence of the greatest consequence.

Mr. Emery says he thinks the sentiment that has been kindling this winter will be felt in a decisive way in the coming fall and winter, and in increasing manner indefinitely into the future.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY TO MEET NEXT WEDNESDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the Pinehurst branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Moore County Hospital will be held at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, May 13th, at the Community Church in Pinehurst.

SERVICES AT SUMMER HILL

There will be services at the Summer Hill Baptist Church Sunday at 3 o'clock by the regular pastor, the Rev. R. H. Weaver of Sanford, and at 8 p. m. the Rev. W. F. Hancock will preach. Everybody is cordially invited to come.

Local Men To Start Northern Magazine

Robertson and Jellison of Pinehurst Outlook to Run Weekly at Bethlehem, Pa.

The White Mountain Outlook will make its appearance in Bethlehem, N. H., on July 11, and will be published weekly thereafter for two months. The new magazine will be edited by A. H. Robertson, Jr., editor of the Pinehurst Outlook, printed by the printer of the Pinehurst Outlook, S. B. Jellison. It will be similar to the local resort magazine in its general design and contents. The entire resort region of the White Mountains, which includes a score of leading resorts and golf courses, will be covered.

Sports, society, and a guide to the weekly resort activities of the region will be featured. The White Mountain Outlook is the first publication of its sort in this field, and its purpose from the start will be to draw more of the better class of guests to the New Hampshire mountain playground, as well as to entertain those who are already there. The publishers promise a minimum circulation of two thousand weekly.

SAMARCAND GIRLS STAGE RIOT IN CARTHAGE JAIL

Those Samarcand girls, housed at present in the County jail at Carthage, staged a riot up there last Thursday afternoon and it took a fire hose to quiet them. Five of the six youngsters, apparently sick and tired of doing nothing in their barred room, set fire to their bunks, broke windows and raised a rumpus generally until local and county authorities subdued them. "Clint" McCaskill was cut in the proceedings, but not seriously. Six former inmates of the Samarcand State school for delinquents are being held at Carthage for the next term of Superior Court, where they must face charges arising from the burning of two buildings at Samarcand. They were transferred to Carthage from the Montgomery County jail, after they had endeavored to set fire to that institution. One of the six was not in the excitement at Carthage, having been operated on for appendicitis the day before.

APRIL WEATHER

April was as freakish as usual, rain on the four Saturdays of the month affecting business, though the heaviest rainfall, 1.89 inches came on Sunday the 19th. In all 6.52 inches fell, 3.18 inches more than normal and 3.87 more than last April. The surplus was 16.34 inches for the first four months of the year as against the normal of 14.75 inches. Temperatures were also freakish, the month recording a maximum of 75-2; minimum of 43-2 and average of 59-2 as against an average maximum of 73-6; minimum 48-9 and average of 61-3, the maximum being higher than usual and the minimum lower, reducing the average monthly temperature 2-1 degrees. The warmest day gave a temperature of 86, nine degrees less than the warmest day of last April, the coldest day of the two months being the same, 34.

Pinehurst Paragraphs

An unusually interesting commencement season in the Pinehurst schools began with the Junior-Senior banquet at the Pinehurst Country Club on Wednesday evening, April 22. This delightful affair was a success in every way and was an auspicious occasion to the girls and boys in these classes.

The operetta, "Under the Sugar Plum Tree," was given Tuesday evening, April 28 and proved a great success.

The annual declamation and reading contests were held Thursday evening with six boys and eight girls competing for honors. The entire presentation was unusually fine and the margin of difference even less than usual as the decision in the declamation contest resulted in a tie between McLeod Freeman and Donald Quale. In voting off the tie, the former received first place.

In the recitation contest Miss Catherine Sullivan received first honor and Miss Wilma Maples second.

In the Community Church on Sunday morning the Baccalaureate sermon was preached by the Rev. John Arch McMillan, an outstanding minister in the Baptist church and who is, at the present time serving the Mills Home Church in Thomasville. Mr. McMillan chose for his text I Thess. 2:21: "Prove all Things; Hold Fast That Which is Good," and from this text delivered an exceedingly fine discourse, holding the close attention of his large congregation, including the girls and boys of all the grades who are not particularly interested in sermons.

Tuesday morning at 10:00 o'clock the seventh grade program was given and certificates of promotion awarded the large class of thirty-six.

The graduation of seniors took place Wednesday evening at 8:30. John F. Taylor, chairman of the school board presented the diplomas. Dr. W. H.

Fraser, president of Queens-Chicora College, made the address which was greatly enjoyed by his large audience.

Following is the class roll: Robert Barrett, Ester Mae Campbell, Marjorie Cole, Paul Cole, Joseph H. Frye, Orene F. Frye, Emma Mae Maples, Ollie M. McDonald, Ralph E. McKenzie, Vera Lois Moore, Ada Reeves Oglesby, Grady Primm, Donald Quale and Verland Smith.

This exercise brought to a close the most successful year in the history of the school and the Community appreciates the fine, constructive work done by Mr. W. P. Morton and his excellent corps of teachers. Members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Community Church especially appreciate the spirit that prompted Mr. Morton to so arrange the Commencement program as not to have any exercises at the school on Tuesday evening, giving way to the night session of the Presbyterial on that date.

Mrs. E. G. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Charles W. Picquet, Mrs. James Quale, Mrs. I. C. Sledge and Mrs. W. L. Dunlap were guests of Mrs. Harry Vetterlein on Friday afternoon for contract. Mrs. Quale, who will soon leave for the north to spend the summer, was presented an honor guest prize.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Jellison and children, Marjorie and Buddy, left Sunday for Bethlehem, N. H., where they will spend the summer.

Miss Lerona Sally, student at N. C. C. W., came home for the weekend. She had as guests Miss Loula Mae Webb, Edenton and Miss Mary Alexander, Blowing Rock, who are also N. C. C. W. students.

After spending the winter here, Mrs. Fred Now left Monday for Pittsburgh where she will spend the summer.

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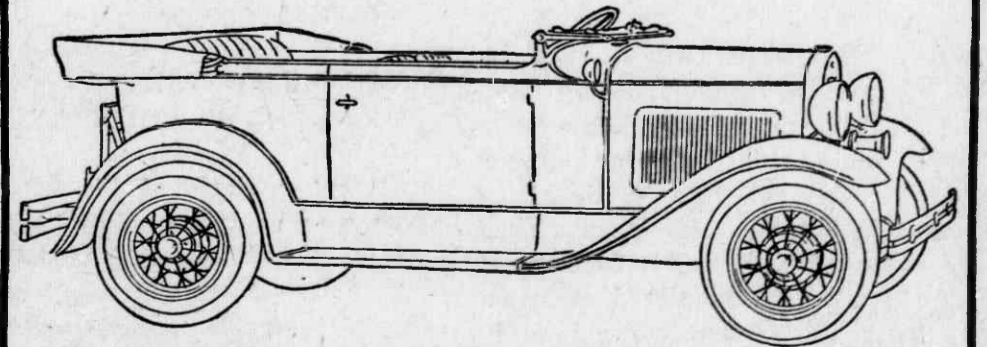
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