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WPA PROGRAM BROADCAST IN MARSHALL LAST SATURDAY

Courthouse Locked Before Hour of Speaking

The broadcast, as advertised last week for last Saturday afternoon, was carried out as advertised except that the courthouse could not be used for that purpose, due to the ruling of the county commissioners. However, the amplifying outfit was installed in the office of Dr. Sams and the messages were spoken to quite a number of people who gathered on bridge street and other nearby positions. The voice of Mr. D. M. Robinson was recognized delivering the preliminary remarks and giving a synopsis of the work done in the county and the possibilities for the future with proper cooperation of all officials. Following Mr. Robinson's remarks, the National broadcast of Mr. Harry L. Hopkins was cut in and the hearers were cognizant of what was going on in the nation.

Appendicitis And Age

The age at which most people develop appendicitis is in their twenties, with a preponderance of cases occurring about the age of 25, according to Dr. Roland M. Harper, who has studied 267 cases treated in a hospital with which he has been in close touch.

While the ages of patients ranged from 6 to 65 years, the average was 25, for either males or females in any or country. Dr. Harper points out that this finding closely agrees with the statistics of hospitals in various parts of the country and may be taken as a fair average for the entire population.

Appendicitis, he says, is evidently a disease which generally attacks persons in the prime of life, like tuberculosis and typhoid fever. Except in a relatively small percentage of cases, it rarely attacks the very young or those past middle age.

Those over 50 years of age are rarely troubled with appendicitis, but, as there are exceptions, everyone should be alert to detect symptoms of the disease and obtain treatment promptly.

Veterans Remember The News-Record

Some veterans, after cashing their bonus bonds, are remembering The News-Record. Quite a number of people are in debt to this paper and the publisher would very much appreciate a settlement from those who are fortunate enough to be living and enjoying bonus money.

HONOR ROLL

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The News-Record

Beginning with our issue of October 17, we are publishing below the names of people who subscribe and renew their subscriptions to The News-Record within the last week. By keeping your subscriptions paid you will greatly help your local paper. Of course, those whose subscriptions are paid in advance stand ready on our honor roll.

- T. Franklin, Marshall, R-3
- Mr. Joe Cutshaw, Marshall, R-3
- Rayne Reigman, Marshall
- Miss Elizabeth Shelton, Glasgow, S. C.
- H. Rice, Marshall, R-3
- M. Shelton, Marshall, R-1
- J. Allman, Mars Hill, R-1
- College Library, Mars Hill
- V. Chastine, Marshall, R-1
- W. Ross, Strawberry Plains, Tenn.
- H. Waldroup, Black Mountain
- J. Parton, Marion, N. C., R-1
- H. Norris, Marion
- S. G. G. Stepe, Marion
- G. Fortner, Ocean View, Va.

17-YEAR "LOCUSTS" AGAIN

In some 20 Eastern states people are talking about, studying and wondering what will be the damage wrought by the millions of 17-year "locusts" that have suddenly pushed their way out of the ground. These strange insects that have remained hidden in their burrows beneath the surface of the ground for the past 17 years are total strangers to some people. Not knowing what they are people naturally fear them. Others believe the swarms of strange insects a serious menace to crops and gardens, while the superstitious believe them to be a sign of divine wrath or of approaching war because of the little black "W" produced by pigment in their wings. But science long ago exploded those old beliefs and established the fact that the so-called "locusts" do more harm to crops and gardens while in the pupa stage underground than during their short life in the open. After 17 monotonous years of feeding on succulent roots and other substances in the soil underground the "locusts" emerge only for a brief, month-long fling of mating and egg-laying. They eat very little of anything and probably do more harm to human ear drums than to crops, gardens, trees and other vegetation.

The states being visited by "locusts" this year are New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, West Virginia, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, the Carolinas, Florida and Georgia. The term "locust" is somewhat of a misnomer. Cicada is the correct name. Some people confuse the cicada with the grasshopper, also sometimes called "locust," but the insects are not even remotely related.

Man's Toe Drops Off In Heat Of Election

Hickory June 9 (AP)—Clarence L. Whitener, Hickory attorney, worked hard to be elected to the State senate. He lost his race and also lost a toe.

When Whitener went home after being at the polls all day Saturday, he took off his shoes and discovered, to his great amazement, that his fourth toe on his right foot had dropped off sometime while he was busy with politics. He had experienced no pain, but immediately went to the hospital, where doctors, although unable to diagnose the strange event, said they could not have done a better job of amputation. They explained there were certain malaises which could induce the phenomenon.

Whitener was apparently none the worse for the loss of the toe. He was walking about the streets today.

FILE TAX REPORT

Mrs. Sam J. Huskins, Deputy Revenue Commissioner, Calls Attention to Date for Filing Franchise Tax Reports.

Corporations will take notice that every corporation doing business in North Carolina must file its annual franchise tax report with the State Department of Revenue not later than July 1st unless written extension is granted. Blanks for filing such reports have already been sent to the registered address of every corporation. Corporations desiring additional report blanks may obtain them by applying to the State Department of Revenue or to the Deputy Collector of the collection territory in which the corporation is located. Failure to file report by July 1st will add a penalty of 10 percent and not less than \$10.00.

NOTICE

To All Taxpayers:

The law says your 1935 taxes will be advertised first Monday in August, and sold on first Monday in September. Pay your taxes before August 1st and save the costs of advertising.

I will call on all persons listing Personal Property for taxes about the first of August, and will be forced to levy on Personal Property for all taxes not paid.

PAY YOUR PERSONAL TAXES BEFORE AUGUST 1st AND SAVE COSTS.

J. K. WILSON, Tax Collector

ted. The grasshopper is the fellow that does serious damage to grain and other crops in the United States as well as in many other parts of the world. While grasshoppers travel in armies and devastate fields and counties and states and even countries, the cicada is toothless and sucks its food from plants, usually without harming them. In fact the male cicada lives only a short time and takes almost no food. His worst feature is his "song" and only the male cicada sings. The female lives for several weeks, depositing her eggs about the middle of June.

Perhaps Mrs. Cicada does the most harm to vegetation in her egg-laying task. She lays her eggs in groups of about eight by inserting her strong ovipositor (a sawlike apparatus on the abdomen) into the bark of young twigs on all kind of trees and making egg pockets. The eggs are laid in these pockets just under the bark. The mechanical injury to the twig is such that it usually dies and drops off. But this damage to the tree is insignificant unless the insect picks out young nursery or orchard trees. For this reason orchardists are advised not to trim their trees in years in which cicadas are predicted. Anyway, whether the twigs drop off or not, the eggs hatch during July and the active larvae, queer four-legged creatures, fall to the ground and burrow into it. After the larvae burrow into the earth they stay there another 17 years, slowly developing and molting from time to time. In these 17 years they travel extensively underground and have been known to burrow as deeply as 20 feet.

Cicadas appear somewhere in the United States every year. This is the proper year for one of the largest known broods to stage its resurrection in the east. The cicadas of 1936 belong to what scientists call Brood No. 10. This group hatched in voluntary "burial" in the earth just 17 years ago. Their grandparents belonged to the army that made such a memorable visitation east of the Mississippi in 1902. There are supposed to be 17 broods in the United States, each (some scientists say 30 or more) brood appearing in a different year in some part of the country. There is also a 13-year variety of the same sort, but with a more southerly range which extends as far west as Nebraska and Kansas. The birds take their toll of cicadas, and so do some domestic animals. One Pathfinder editor has a cat that is growing allier and fat off the tender morsels. While these insects are practically harmless they should be destroyed as far as possible before the egg-laying stage so as to lessen the brood that will reappear in another 17 years.

4-H Short Course Will Be Week Of Play, Work

An entertaining and instructive program has been prepared to keep

farm boys and girls happily occupied at the annual 4-H short course at State College, July 22-27, said L. R. Harrill, 4-H club leader at the College.

From morning until night, he said, each day will be filled with events especially designed to appeal to rural young people and at the same time give them opportunity to study advanced phases of 4-H club projects in which they are interested.

Breakfast will be followed by a brief conference period each morning except Sunday. This will be followed Thursday and Friday mornings by team demonstrations on 4-H projects.

Saturday forenoon will be devoted to the recognition of achievements, the 4-H honor club program, and the selection of officers. Sunday morning the boys and girls will attend Sunday School and church in Raleigh.

The afternoons will be given over to recreation, sight-seeing tours, and informal discussions among the club members. An organ recital and a picnic supper will feature Sunday afternoon.

Vesper services, plays presented by club members, and recreation in the evenings will conclude the programs for Thursday and Friday. A health pageant will be given Saturday evening, and the candle-light ceremony Sunday evening will bring the short course to a close.

The clubsters will arrive at the college Wednesday afternoon and remain until the following Monday morning.

The grain crop of Scotland County has been severely injured by the excessive rains of early spring and the continued drought of early summer.

Erosion Control Measures Invite Valuable Birds

The value of the robin and the blue bird to the farmer's friend has been proven by experimentations showing these birds more than earn the few cents they steal from the farmer's pockets, according to S. Z. Pollock, biologist of the Soil Conservation Service.

Experimentation conducted by the U. S. Bureau of Biological Survey, using 1236 stomachs of robins shows that 42 percent of the robin's food is animal matter; 16 percent beetles; 5 percent grasshoppers; 9 percent caterpillars, and 11 percent various insects.

In the experiment using 244 stomachs of blue birds it was found that the contents were 58.51 percent animal matter and 41.49 percent vegetable, demonstrating that the bird is of economic as well as aesthetic value said Pollock.

Where wild food is not abundant, a few fruit bearing shrubs and vine-plants in favorable locations will serve the triple purpose of controlling erosion, providing ornamentation, and

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PAPER KEPT 20 YEARS BY MRS. JOHN E. RECTOR

A copy of the News-Record printed November 5, 1915, carries a number of interesting articles. Gilbert and Morrow were the publishers and J. Coleman Ramsey, Editor. The first column gives a directory of Madison County, as follows:

MADISON COUNTY

Established by the Legislature, session 1859-61.
Population, 20,132.
County seat, Marshall.
1855 feet above sea level.
New and modern court house, cost \$25,000.
New county home, cost \$10,600.

COUNTY OFFICERS

- Hon. J. E. Lineback, Senator, 35th District, Elk Park.
- Hon. Plato Ebbs, Representative, Hot Springs, N. C.
- W. A. West, Clerk of Superior Court, Marshall.
- Caney Ramsey, Sheriff, Marshall.
- James Smart, Register of Deeds, Marshall.
- C. F. Rummion, Treasurer, Marshall, N. C., R. F. D. No. 4.
- A. T. Chandley, Surveyor, Marshall, N. C.
- Dr. J. H. Baird, Coroner, Mars Hill, N. C.
- W. J. Balding, Janitor, Marshall, N. C.
- Dr. Frank Roberts, County Physician, Marshall, N. C.
- Garfield Davis, Supt. County home, Marshall, N. C.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

- N. B. McDevitt, chairman, Marshall.
- J. E. Rector, member, Marshall.
- R. I. Anderson Silver, member, Marshall, Rt. 3; W. L. George, member, Mars Hill; and J. C. Chandley, White Rock.
- P. A. McElroy, Co. Atty., Mar-

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS

- F. Shelton, President, Marshall
- G. V. Russell, Bluff, N. C.
- A. F. Sprinkle, Mars Hill, N. C.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Jasper Ebbs, Chairman, Spring Creek, N. C.; John Robert Sams, mem. Mars Hill, N. C.; W. R. Sams, mem. Marshall, Prof. G. C. Brown, Superintendent of Schools, Marshall. Board meets first Monday in January, April, July, and October each year.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Mars Hill College, Prof. E. L. Moore, President, 412 students. Session 1915-16, nine months. Begins August 17th, 1915.
Spring Creek High School, Prof. M. R. Pleasants, Principal, Spring Creek, 8 mos. school, opens Aug. 1st.
Madison Seminary High School, Prof. K. G. Anders, principal, 8 mos. school. Begins July 20.
Bell Institute, Margaret E. Griffith, principal, Walnut, N. C.
Marshall Academy, Prof. S. Roland Williams, principal, 8 mos. school, opens August 31.

NOTARY PUBLICS

- J. C. Ramsey, Marshall.
- Jasper Ebbs, Spring Creek.
- J. H. Hunter, Marshall, Rt. 3.
- J. W. Nelson, Marshall.
- T. B. Ebbs, Hot Springs.
- Craig Ramsey, Revere.
- N. W. Anderson, Paint Fork.
- W. T. Davis, Hot Springs.
- Steve Rice, Marshall.
- Ben W. Cahagan, Stackhouse.
- J. F. Tilson, Marshall, Rt. 2.
- C. J. Ebbs, Marshall.
- D. M. Harshburg, Stackhouse.
- D. P. Miles, Barnard.
- W. B. Ramsey, Marshall.
- J. A. Wallin, Big Laurel.
- C. C. Brown, Bluff.

COMMISSIONERS EXPRESS OPPOSITION TO NEW DEAL ACTIVITIES IN COUNTY

Explains Why Court- house Was Closed To Hopkins' Radio Speech Last Saturday

Not In Sympathy With New Deal "Picking" for WPA Projects

Asked by the News-Record publisher for an explanation as to why the courthouse was closed last Saturday to the WPA broadcast, the following article was handed us for publication, which we take pleasure in giving first page prominence, the same prominence given the article last week from WPA officials.

Surprised at Article

We were very much surprised last week at an article appearing in the News-Record which said that the county commissioners are "sponsoring" the WPA sewing room projects in Madison County. For some time there has been appearing each week in the local paper articles boosting some phase of the New Deal. This is nothing less than political advertising of the national democratic administration from a local angle. The question of supreme importance to the people of Madison County in this matter is - "Will the Republicans also be allowed to write their politi-

furnishing food and cover for the robin and other valuable birds fond of purloining the fruit of the cherry, wildgrape, greenbriar, holly, elder, dogwood, service berries, and persimmon.

THE MOTORIST'S PRAYER

The Motorist's Prayer, which first appeared in The London Church Times, is a reminder that good driving is a Christian obligation. It is given below:

Grant me a steady hand and watchful eye,
That no man shall be hurt when I pass by.

Thou gavest life, and I pray no act of mine
May take away or mar that gift of Thine.

Shelter those, dear Lord, who bear me company,
From the evils of fire and all calamity.

Teach me to use my car for others' need,
Nor miss through love of speed
The beauties of Thy world;
That thus I may,
With joy and courtesy go my way.

—Selected.

Typoid Inoculation Year

TO THE CITIZENS OF MADISON COUNTY:
This is the year for Typhoid Inoculation. See your doctor at once.
W. A. SAMS,
County Health Officer.

ALL SUNDAY NEXT SUNDAY

ALL DAY PROGRAM

The Baptist Training Union of the French Broad Association is to be held at the Madison Seminary next Sunday, June 28. An all day program has been arranged. It is hoped that a large attendance, especially of the young people will be present.

OPEN WOW MEETING AT WOODMEN HALL FRIDAY NIGHT, JUNE 26, 8:30 O'CLOCK

We urge all members to be present. Also all prospective members, between 16 and 60 years old, as we now have on a special campaign for this camp. Our special State Representative, James E. McCabe, will be present; also District Manager A. B. Gal-

cal advertising in this manner and have it run free of charge?"

The article last week which alleged that the county commissioners are "sponsoring" the sewing rooms of the county was almost a bare untruth although the circumstances allowed the officials to use that term and "get by with it."

The county commissioners were asked if they would sponsor the sewing room project. The answer was "no." We were asked if we would allow the sewing rooms in Madison County. The answer was that any legal project that would help put Madison County people to work would be allowed in the county.

The county commissioners would have been glad to have sponsored any project of this nature providing we could have picked persons who need the work to do the sewing and persons who actually needed the work to do the supervising. The county commissioners would have given employment irrespective of party lines or votes.

There has arisen the question of why the county commissioners would not allow WPA and other governmental workers to use the courthouse last Saturday afternoon to hear Harry L. Hopkins expound the policies of the New Deal. It is a question of whether or not the relief workers would have shown proper care for the courthouse fixtures because persons who in a prosperous county will not get out and find an upright way of making a living, do not have a proper respect for public property. Those persons who deal in human poverty as a means to an end are even less responsible.

We have respect and sympathy for those persons who are actually in need and are trying to help themselves. They deserve help. We have only disgust for those persons who profess to be in need and still will not work at a regular job at regular wages. No effort is being made locally to weed out the persons unfit for relief. That is the whole question.

The county commissioners have been notified that unless they make arrangements to help pay for the WPA sewing room and other WPA work it will stop on July 1. In that event it will stop in Madison County on July 1. The county commissioners have not contributed one penny for the sewing rooms or any other WPA projects in Madison County and do not want any credit for anything it has done here, as we certainly do not now nor ever have approved of the wild and foolish spending orgy of the New Deal.

County Commissioners-
WM. V. FARMER
T. A. HIGGINS

To Build Baptist Church At Beech Glen

Miss Mary M. Briggs, of the Beech Glen section, was in Marshall, Wednesday, soliciting funds with which to build a Baptist church at Beech Glen. Miss Briggs tells us that she is a member of a committee appointed to raise money for this purpose - that the organization is composed of more than a hundred members who have been using the school auditorium as a place to worship. Dr. O. E. Sams, of Mars Hill, was elected pastor of the church. She tells us that the Mars Hill people have contributed liberally toward this cause. She did not tell us how many were on the soliciting committee or how much money had been raised. However, they have sufficient encouragement to make them believe that the work of building the church will go forward.

loway, of Brevard, who has taken this district permanently replacing the former District Manager Grogan. Refreshments will be served. We especially urge those who have already made applications for membership to be present.