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EDITORIAL

LET'S MEET THE CHALLENGE!

GUEST EDITORIAL

By
MRS. FRED O. TILSON, Red Cross Drive Chairman

Red Cross has many new friends this year in celebrating its 75th anniversary. Ask the more than 28,000 families who were affected by disasters, as their towns were badly damaged, and thousands of acres of farm lands flooded, with many homes and businesses destroyed.

God has been good to us in Madison County. Hurricanes Connie, Dianne and Ione swept across a section of our state and country last Fall. Red Cross helped 3,200 families to get back on their feet and spent over 1/2 million dollars in North Carolina alone. Ten homes were completely rebuilt and 1,304 repaired through Red Cross assistance.

Our Red Cross is active in Madison County. First Aid is taught in schools and industries. Swimming classes are taught by Red Cross trained teachers. Volunteers trained as Social Welfare Aids help service men and their families in case of emergencies; and trained also to assist in case of enemy attack (Civil Defense). Of course, the greatest of all services is the Blood Service, which makes available to doctors and hospitals blood when needed. What WOULD we do without our Red Cross blood program?

To quote from a recent article in the 'Saturday Evening Post,' titled 'The Red Cross Will Need A Raise In 1956':

"It is our guess that this year the American Red Cross won't get many complaining letters reading: 'What did you do with all that money you got last year?' By this time the most skeptical American must be aware of the fact that 1955 was a year of disaster in this country. Floods, hurricanes and tornadoes which struck various parts of the country with destructive force strained the resources of the Red Cross to the limit. Its budgeted disaster-relief funds are gone, as well as \$16,000,000 contributed by the American people after the New England floods last summer. Even the \$8,000,000 disaster-reserve fund, which the Red Cross does its best to keep for a rainy day, has all but disappeared. In view of all this, it should be no surprise that the Red Cross this year is asking the American people for more money even than they contributed in 1955. The budget this year is estimated at \$90,000,000, which is \$8,000,000 more than was originally planned, and \$5,000,000 more than was sought last year. The way nature has been acting up recently, it would be imprudent for the American Red Cross to ask for no more than was found necessary last year. The response of the country will, it is safe to predict, be generous and realistic."

We, in Madison County, must therefore increase our contributions this year because of this dangerously low level of Red Cross Disaster Funds. The Need Is Great In '56. Let Us Meet The Challenge!

HELP CRIPPLED CHILDREN

The 1956 Easter Seal Campaign to help the handicapped so they may live like other children is in progress. Your knowledge and enthusiasm are important. Your services, in addition to your cash donations, are of great importance. You can volunteer now to help in the fund raising, or inquire about helping with transportation of crippled children to clinics or the many other service programs which so sorely need assistance. Whatever you do in the Easter Seal Society, you are helping crippled children. Volunteering to help in your own community in whatever way you wish can be of great assistance to the Crippled Children's Society.

Mrs. R. R. Ramsey, president of the Madison County Crippled Children's Society, must have cooperation from the citizens of every section in order to make the campaign a success. Mrs. Leonard Baker, of Walnut, is Easter Seal Sale Chairman for the campaign and Miss Eloise Ward is treasurer. Contact any of these ladies if you feel you can assist.

Hundreds of letters have been mailed to individuals this week, asking for contributions. Please don't throw these letters in the waste basket without considering what YOUR donation means to some crippled child.

In Madison County, there are over 700 who are handicapped. Had you realized this enormous number? We also want you to know that fifty-five percent (55%) of your donation stays in Madison County. In other words, 55 cents of every dollar you contribute stays in Madison County to help some handicapped child. Surely, no one will refuse to donate some sum to this worthwhile cause.

If you have not received a letter explaining the Easter Seal Campaign, you may still send your contribution to Miss Eloise Ward, Marshall, N. C., who is treasurer.

Give that you may catch the joy of the Easter Season.

BATTERS EVENLY MATCHED

Allen, Texas — Edgar Lee Startz matched two perfectly matched battlers in a recent match. Startz, the battler, had a 2-0 record and had 13

NEW YORK REAL ESTATE

New York City — The City Tax Commission recently fixed the tentative assessed valuation of New York City for 1956 and special franchises at \$2,152,000,000 for 1956-58 and increased to \$2,192,000,000 over the current year.

OPEN FORUM

"THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE"

MOUNTAIN MUSIC

Ye know, fellers, I never could get myself to believe in this here thing they call Evo-lusion (I never could spell it), but the ide that we folks sprung from the monkey clan. But tother nite on this here picture radio thing, I saw some freak animals make me of the ide that I may be misled. This here munch of mammals sat there and squirmed, scratched, barked and chattered like a scared bunch of flea bit monkeys. Ye know, fellers, I saw a dog tother nite on this picture thing, that could put more words into common horse sence in two seconds than this here bunch of amendment hider behinders could in thuty days.

"OLE TIMER"

Vota Vita Class Enjoys Auction Sale On Tuesday Night

The Vota Vita Sunday School class of the Marshall Baptist Church held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Ron Sprinkle.

Mrs. Eva Sams, class president, presided and Mrs. E. C. Teague was program chairman.

Instead of the usual program, an auction sale was held by the members under the direction of Mrs. Teague. The proceeds will be used to help equip a kitchen in the proposed new church.

At the close of the meeting, the hostess served refreshments.

Those present were Mrs. Eva Sams, Mrs. E. C. Teague, Mrs. J. M. Baley Jr., Mrs. Wade Huey, Mrs. Lyman Martin, Mrs. W. F. Holland, Mrs. Hettie R. Blankenship, Mrs. Jim Story, Mrs. Earl Robinson, Mrs. Kermit Cody, Mrs. D. D. Gross, and Mrs. Sprinkle.

Poultry Plant—

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duce. This is over 38 railway cars of feed. It's not enough to just grow them. Can't we feed them from local feed establishments, process them, hatch them, market them?

Our State Department of Agriculture thinks we can do more of these things at home. Mr. Ralph Kelley from the State Department of Agriculture has agreed to meet with interested people in Madison County on Tuesday night, March 27, at 7:30 o'clock to explain the building and operation of a poultry dressing plant such as we need. Mark this date on your calendar and try to meet with us. Let's learn about this possibility. It could mean a lot to you.

A poultry dressing plant located here could:

1. Employ local labor.
2. Supply business for servicing groups.
3. Dress local grown birds.
4. Involve feed dealers, financing, trucking, building supply dealers, and other related businesses in supplying local poultrymen.
5. Be a stable business.
6. Offer farmers a market at home.
7. Sell all by-products such as feathers, feet, etc.
8. Offer you a chance to make more money and enjoy more.

To obtain these things there must be local support in the form of first interest; second, financial encouragement, and later on, opportunity to expand.

Let's see what it is and if we think we can have it if we want a dressing plant.

Come to the meeting in the courthouse in Marshall Tuesday night, March 27, at 7:30 o'clock.

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ROARING FORK

Most of the children are about over the measles and back at school. Mr. and Mrs. Nick Parker spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Baldwin.

Miss Blanche Wyatt has returned home after spending several days with her brother, Mr. Edward Wyatt of Bluff.

We were very glad to have Mr. George Kimberly and Miss Imogene Keener of Bluff to attend Sunday School at Bethel church Sunday.

There will be church services at Bethel church Saturday night and Sunday morning. All who care to come are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Pangle and daughter, Laveonia called on Mr. and Mrs. Nick Parker Wednesday night.

Mr. Dock Wills took dinner Sunday with Mr. Hubert Pangle.

Mrs. Hattie Suttles and granddaughter, Miss Louise Suttles, of Shutin, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gardin.

Pfc. Ray Gardin has returned home after spending several months in Germany.

Frank Gardin also spent the week end at home. He is serving with the Air Force in Marietta, Ga.

Cecil and Cletis Pangle made a business trip to Marshall Thursday.

Jim Shelton took supper Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Pangle.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Baldwin and two children and Mrs. Carolina Pangle and Laveonia called on Mr. and Mrs. Nick Parker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kent of Asheville have moved back to their farm in Hickam Cove.

Messrs. Berry Brown and Melvin Wyatt called on Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Pangle Tuesday.

Mr. Elmer Parker of Muncie, Ind., is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parker. Glenn Rainey of Detroit, Mich., stopped by on his way home Wednesday morning to see Cecil and Cletis Pangle.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Trantham and son, Freddy, called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parker, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kent spent Thursday with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Rochelle Parker.

SPRING CREEK

A large crowd attended church at Liberty Sunday.

We were all glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kent Sunday; also Mr. and Mrs. William Cogdill of Waynesville.

Miss Jerry Moore spent Saturday night with Miss Donna Lee Moore.

Miss Eula Dean Stamey of Hot Springs spent Monday night with Miss Margaret Fowler.

Mrs. Foy Riddle was visiting her mother Sunday; also her son, Roy Jean.

Mrs. John Riddle spent last week with her daughter, Mrs. Edd Barnwell of Fletcher.

Mr. Elbert Fowler spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Oddie Moore.

Mrs. Jimmy Treadway and son of Azalea spent a few days with her parents on Spring Creek.

Mrs. Troy Caldwell was visiting her parents Sunday; also her two children, Donna and Judy.

Mrs. Edward Waldroup and daughter were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Otis Fowler Sunday.

We are all sorry to hear that Mrs. Furman Fowler, who has been out a while, is not improv-

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED



MR. AND MRS. ANDY LEWIS of Marshall RFD 4 announce the engagement of their daughter, Pansy, of Morganton RFD 1, to Ned Lenoir Dale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dale of Morganton RFD 1. Wedding plans are incomplete. —Cut Courtesy Citizen-Times

Avon O. Ray, 78, Passes Wednesday; Funeral Today

Avon O. Ray, 78, a retired Mars Hill salesman, died in a veterans' hospital Wednesday morning, March 21, 1956, after a long illness.

Born in Transylvania County and raised in Asheville, he had been an Asheville Packing Co. salesman for more than 18 years and was a veteran of the Spanish-American War.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. today (Thursday) in Mars Hill Baptist Church, of which he was a member. The Rev. Robert Seymour and the Rev. J. A. McLeod will officiate and burial will be in Mars Hill Cemetery.

Palbearers will be Don Henderson, James Cox, Bobby Edwards, Jim Fish, Harry Wells and Earl Radford.

Flower bearers will be members of the Community Bible Class. Honorary palbearers will be former business associates.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Carrie Davis; seven daughters, Mrs. F. B. Rayburn and Mrs. Robert Linzer of Savannah, Ga.; Mrs. Frank Westall of Asheville; Mrs. Don Cox of Mars Hill, Mrs. J. K. Isley Jr., of Durham, Mrs. Robert Fleming of Winston-Salem and Mrs. J. D. Maret of Nuremberg, Germany; three sons, A. O. Ray Jr., and Charles Ray of Asheville, and Robert Ray of Raleigh; and three sisters, Mrs. W. E. Armstrong of Asheville, Mrs. J. H. Stelling of Daytona Beach, Fla., and Mrs. L. R. Duval of Augusta, Ga.

We all wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Fleming and family were visiting in Tennessee Sunday.

Mr. Clifford Price of Washington is now working for Mr. Sam Caldwell.

Miss Judy Fleming spent last Saturday night with Miss Margaret Fowler.

WALNUT

Several college students visited their homes here during their spring vacations. Among them were the Misses Ruth Ann Tweed, Gertrude Allen, Catherine Allen, Shirley Roberts, Geneva Randall, Mary Sue Shelton, Cassie Ramsey, and Russell Thomas, Joe Ramsey, R. S. Plennous and Jimmy Johnson.

Mr. Richard Dennett of Richmond, Mich., visited his fiancée, Miss Joyce Ramsey, and her parents over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Henderson and family of Rock Hill, S. C., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Henderson, over the weekend.

Mrs. Clyde McClure fell in her kitchen last Wednesday morning and received cuts on her head. She was treated at Mars Hill and is now recovering nicely.

Mrs. R. R. Ramsey was hostess members of the Marshall Book Club at her home here Monday night.

"Aunt Becky" Henderson celebrated her 95th birthday on March 3.

Walnut High girls' basketball team was named co-champions of the Skyline-A Conference with Spruce Pine last week. They posted a 15-1 record for the season. The trophy is on display at the school.

Mrs. Paul Roberts entertained with a party at her home last Friday night.

Miss Shirley Roberts and Miss Mary Sue Shelton were listed on the "A" honor roll of WCC in Wednesday's Citizen. Miss Roberts is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mallie Roberts, and Miss Shelton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Shelton. Both are honor graduates of Walnut High.

Singing Convention

The Madison County Singing Convention will meet Sunday, March 25 at 2 p. m., at the Walnut Baptist Church. We invite all quartets, duets, trios, etc., to come and join us in this singing.

JONAH RICE, President.

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