

### South Clyde CDP Plans Projects

By MRS. KYLE LINDSEY  
Community Reporter

The C.D.P. held its regular meeting at the Community Center Monday night, with Chairman Edwin Jackson in charge. The group sang two songs and Kyle Lindsey had the devotion. Mrs. Walter Rhodamer had the prayer. The business was started with the minutes of the past meeting read by Rev. V. N. Allen. Work on the cemetery was discussed and the men decided to set out more dogwood trees, as soon as the weather permits, also to move some dirt and level some low places. A new lawn mower is needed, as the old one is about worn out, and the group discussed making a drive to get one and would like for people who are interested to make a donation toward the mower or other expenses for the upkeep of the cemetery. Donations may be made to Sam Jackson, treasurer.

Another project discussed, which was of interest to the women, was hanging draperies at the windows of the community house. Mrs. P. C. Mann was elected chairman of this project, and will call a meeting of the women to work on this job. The building of a picnic table was also discussed by the men.

### GERMAN SOLDIERS ON U. S. SOIL



A GROUP OF 38 officers and enlisted men of the new German army arrive in New York en route to various U.S. Army training centers. The men, in new field gray uniforms, will study from three to six months. Meanwhile, in Andernach, Germany, the first 1,800 men of the West German armed forces began their training. (International)

### Americans Can Mix Humor With Big Farm Problems

By BILL WHITLEY

SERIOUS. It's practically unanimous that America's farm problems are at the emergency stage, and government officials are almost all agreed that the problems should be settled on a non-partisan basis. In short, it's a job to be done, and not one to worry about who will be credited with solving it.

But as serious as it is, there is an element of humor in it. Traditionally, Americans are people who can smile even under the worst circumstances. The worst wars have produced some of this country's most amusing and humorous literature, for example.

Naturally, then, there is the

lighter side to the American farm dilemma. Farmers find themselves kidding each other about the low prices they are receiving, and they make jokes to forget the crisis they face.

BEST. Recently, the Washington correspondent for the Winston-Salem Journal, Pat Muhroe, went through the midwestern farm belt and he turned up what is considered the best joke of all about farmers and their troubles.

As Pat tells it, the incident took place on a midwestern farm where pork isn't worth a pig's squeal. It seems that this hog farmer was awakened in the night by his wife.

"A thief is out in the hog pen, John. He's stealing every hog we've got."

John hushed his wife and whispered: "Don't make any noise. You might run the thief away before he gets the hogs."

ROSES. During the Christmas holidays, Congressmen get far more Christmas cards and other holiday greetings than they can possibly acknowledge.

But one lawmaker, Sen. W. Kerr Scott, received a Christmas gift that he'll remember all year.

The six ladies who make up his secretarial staff all chipped in and gave him roses for the whole year of 1956... one rosebud each morning to put on his lapel.

Confidentially, the Senator says he's not accepting unless the girls themselves agree to pin the roses on his lapel each morning when he arrives for work.

VISITORS. Quite a few Tar Heels were seen moseying around Washington as the new session of Congress opened.

Some were tourists, a few were interested in legislation, and some others were still Christmasing. But one was checking on chewing tobacco.

He was Arch Taylor of Winston-Salem, one of the old-time chewing tobacco manufacturers. For years he has been sending Senator Scott a carton of chewing tobacco from time to time.

The other day, he walked into Scott's office and said:

"Just wanted to make sure the Senator is still getting his tobacco okay."

It takes a considerate gentleman to be that concerned about the safety arrival of chewing tobacco.

Enslay and Mrs. Vance Robinson went later and accompanied Mrs. Enslay home.

The Clyde P.T.A. will hold a regular monthly meeting at the school auditorium next Thursday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. All parents are urged to attend. Mrs. Carl Gillis, president, will be in charge.

The W.S.C.S. of Louisa Chapel will have its monthly meeting next Wednesday. The group plans to quilt at the home of Mrs. Robert Lindsey, and will have their meeting in the afternoon. Mrs. Wiley Snyder, the president, will be in charge.

Lloyd Justice has made improvements on his place. A new driveway, front lawn landscaped and the entire hill below his home re-worked, the old roadbed, which was the main road before the new road was built, is filled in. Miss Laura Mae Justice had the hill adjoining re-worked. It looks like a different place, and they plan to re-seed this in grass. The driveway has been gravelled to Lloyd Justice's home.

Mrs. Hascue Warren has been visiting her daughter Mrs. Manley Curtis and family in Johnson City, Tenn.

Fred Grasty, who has been a patient at Waynesville hospital, is now at home recovering from pneumonia.

News has been received here of the death of J. T. Alford of Richmond, Va., on Jan. 2. He was assistant manager of the A & P Super Market there. His wife formerly was Kate Messer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Messer, and granddaughter of Charlie Messer. He was buried at Richmond. Attending the funeral from Clyde were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Messer and Mr. and Mrs. Edd Cogburn and sons.

Mrs. W. H. Hull, who came to Clyde to attend the funeral of Spurgeon Enslay, has returned to her home in Washington.

Mrs. Spurgeon Enslay of Clyde, was called to Raleigh on account of the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Hingworth. Mary

### North Carolina Is Termed 'State Of Small Farms'

#### Doll-Cowboy Show Staged At Bethel School

The primary grades of Bethel School presented a doll and cowboy show Thursday morning in the new Bethel gymnasium. Entries in the contest numbered 92 for the girls and 52 for the boys making a total of 150.

Winners of the contest included: Prettiest: Vicky Burnette, first; Paula Holland, second, and Shirley Thompson, third.

Most like mother: Peggy Pressley, first; Carolyn Mathis, second, and Sandra Harkins, third.

Most unusual: Georgianna Blacklock, first; Linda Rhodès, second, and Georgianna Brown, third.

Best dressed cowboy: Terry Burnette, first, and Stephen Gregory, second.

Best imitator of cowboy: Darrell Sorrells, first, and Rompie Owens.

Best Davy Crockett: Manson Messer, first, and Jimbo Sorrells, second.

The show was judged by Mrs. Ralph Crawford, Mrs. L. M. White, and Mrs. Hugh K. Terrell.

#### Ratcliffe Cove Community News

By MRS. ADDIE LINER  
Community Reporter

Mrs. Hugh Underwood has returned home from Haywood County Hospital, where she underwent an operation.

Mrs. Martha Gaddy is a patient at Haywood County Hospital.

Mrs. P. V. Phillips, who has been ill, for several weeks, is much improved.

Mrs. Turner Gaddy is convalescing from a broken leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Leopold have moved into their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ford are now in their new home.

The Ratcliffe Cove Grocery, which has been operating in this community since 1947, is now closed.

#### Special Courses Are Being Offered

A special course for teachers and parents is being offered on the subject of "Handicapped and Exceptional Children." It was announced today by Ned J. Tucker, chairman of the Haywood Cerebral Palsy Association.

A class will be held tonight, 6:30, at the High school.

M. H. Bowles, superintendent of district schools, said the tuition fee is \$15, with a textbook fee of \$5 and incidental costs of \$2 to \$3. There are nine remaining classes in the course.

#### Cope Gets Recognition For Insurance Work

W. E. Cope, Sr., who is associated with Southern Life Insurance Company in Waynesville, North Carolina, as General Agent of the Ordinary Department, has received special recognition for being one of ten men to qualify for the Company award.

He will be one of many men from different states to attend their Home Office School January 13 and 14 in Greensboro.

Crucibles and other equipment made of the precious metal platinum are employed by the optical industry for handling special types of glass which are extremely corrosive to other materials.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article is reprinted from the December issue of the University of North Carolina News Letter.)

North Carolina is a state of small farms. In 1950 our farms averaged the smallest in the United States and undoubtedly this will remain true for 1954. The average size of our farms went up by 1.2 acres, total area, and 0.3 on an acre in crop land harvested per farm. While farms have steadily increased in North Carolina throughout our entire history, there has been little or no increase in the amount of farm land, or total cultivated acres. In 1860 North Carolina had 23,763,000 acres of farm land, while in 1954 we had only 18,260,000 acres. The cultivated acres per farm has declined steadily for 100 years or so, from 96 acres in 1850 to 22.5 acres in 1954. During the last 20 years or so, there has been little change. During this latter period, cultivated acreage has held steadily around 21 to 22 acres per farm. In 1954 the average farm in North Carolina contained 68.2 acres and our farms averaged the smallest in the United States. We have been working toward this position for a number of years and have finally achieved bottom rank in size of farms.

The above figure is the arithmetic average, that is, to the total farm acreage divided by the total number of farms. The median farm acreage, that is, the middle farm in North Carolina is less than 68 acres, since a few large farms offset a number of small farms in an arithmetic average. The 1954 census shows that there are 34,479 farms under 10 acres; 76,672 farms from 10 to 29 acres in size; 49,329 farms from 30 to 49 acres in size, and 31,778 farms from 50 to 69 acres in size. Thus, in 1954 there were 192,258 farms ranging in size from under 10 acres to 69 acres, total area. It is therefore seen that approximately seventy-two per cent of the farms of North Carolina average below the state average of 68.2 acres in size. This is probably the most significant fact about North Carolina as an agricultural state. We simply are a state of small farms and we will never rank high on a per farm income basis so long as this exists.

What is even more important is the amount of land actually harvested per farm. Total acreage includes cropland, pastureland, woodland, waste and other land. The true size of a farm is more accurately measured by the number of acres harvested.

The 1954 census showed that there were 77,423 farms where the harvested acreage in 1954 ranged from one to nine acres, and 67,558 farms whose harvested acreage ranged from 10 to 19 acres. Thus 144,981 farms out of 245,703 reporting on cultivated acreage harvested crops from fewer than 19 acres in 1954. In harvested acres per farm, North Carolina ranks close to the bottom among all the states. Only one state, West Virginia, ranks below North Carolina in harvested acres per farm.

It can thus be said that more than in any other state, North Carolina farms are small scale units. We not only have the smallest farms in the United States, but we have more small farms than any other state in the Union. North Carolina has more farmers cultivating fewer than 10 acres than any other state, and we have more farmers cultivating only between 10 and 19 acres than any other state.

It thus appears that agriculture would benefit from fewer farms, provided the land could be absorbed by the remaining farmers. The state would benefit if several thousands of these small farmers could find additional part-time work or, better still, could move out of agriculture entirely into better paying jobs in industry and other occupations.

Puerto Rico's birth rate dropped 18 per cent from 1947 to 1954, says the Population Reference Bureau.

### ADMITS SLAYING ON JOYRIDE



RONALD E. MENTER (right), 22, answers the questions of a detective in Newark, N. J., after his arrest on suspicion of murder. Stopped for questioning as he arrived in Newark with two girl hitchhikers, Menter blurted out that he had killed "that guy in Texas." He referred to Jan D. Broderick, 20, a student, whose body was found with a bullet between the eyes in a ditch near Hempstead, Tex. Menter said he shot the student in an argument after they had been drinking, and then took his car on to the East. (International)

### Not Even An Elopement Exites The Warren Family

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON — The Chief Justice and Mrs. Earl Warren, like most parents of large families, are conditioned to cope with any situation and take the surprises as well as the planned proceedings of their six children in stride.

When the popular 22-year-old Nina, youngest of their three daughters, eloped with her fiance, Dr. Stuart Brien, 33, Beverly Hills, Calif., physician, the chief justice didn't even wake his wife to tell her the news telephoned by the newlyweds from Las Vegas. They knew a wedding was in the planning, but they thought the couple would wait until the Supreme Court adjourned so they could be there for the ceremony. They said however, they weren't upset by the elopement.

"All we want for our children is that they are happy," Mrs. Warren told me a few days before she left Washington to help with preparations for the marriage of a second daughter, Dorothy, 24. Announcement of her engagement to Dr. Carmine D. Clemente, 27, a professor at the University of Southern California, followed only a few days after Nina's elopement.

The Chief Justice is being accompanied by daughter Virginia

### WAYNESVILLE DRIVE-IN THEATRE OPEN

FRI, SAT. & SUN.  
FRIDAY, JAN. 13  
"WHEN WORLDS COLLIDE"  
(In Color)  
with AN ALL-STAR CAST  
SATURDAY, JAN. 14  
DOUBLE FEATURE!  
"FLAMING FEATHER"  
(In Color)  
Starring STERLING HAYDEN  
— ALSO —  
"AARON SLICK OF PUMPKIN CREEK"  
(In Color)  
Starring ALAN YOUNG  
DINAH SHORE  
SUNDAY, JAN. 15  
"HONG KONG"  
(In Color)  
Starring RONALD REAGAN  
RHONDA FLEMING  
CONCESSION STAND OPEN

### PARK Theatre Program

LAST TIME TODAY  
THURSDAY, JAN. 12  
"SOLDIER OF FORTUNE"  
(In Cinemascope & Color)  
Starring CLARK GABLE  
SUSAN HAYWARD  
FRIDAY, JAN. 13  
DOUBLE FEATURE  
"TWIST OF FATE"  
Starring GINGER ROGERS  
— ALSO —  
"SUNSET IN EL DORADO"  
Starring ROY ROGERS  
and TRIGGER  
— ALSO —  
Selected Short Subjects  
SATURDAY, JAN. 14  
Another Double Feature!  
"WAR PAINT"  
(In Color)  
— ALSO —  
Another Showing of  
"SUNSET IN EL DORADO"  
Starring ROY ROGERS  
and TRIGGER  
SUN., MON. & TUES.,  
JAN. 15, 16 & 17  
Don't Miss America's Number One Fun Team at Their Funnies!  
DEAN MARTIN  
JERRY LEWIS  
Starring in  
"ARTISTS and MODELS"  
(In Color)

### Aldo Ray Stars In Love Story Of Japan Today

The completely different, unusual and unusually powerful true story of a hard-bitten professional soldier who had learned to hate the Japanese after fighting them in the Pacific, and his transformation into a man of compassion by his love for a girl in a pink kimono, has been brought to the screen of the Strand Theatre in Columbia Pictures' startling new romantic adventure, "Three Stripes in the Sun". Starring Aldo Ray, Phil Carey and Dick York and introducing beautiful Japanese actress Mitsuko Kimura, "Three Stripes in the Sun" is a film that glows with deep insight into the human heart.

Based on a magazine article that started two worlds, "Three Stripes in the Sun" is the true story, rib-tickling and heart-tugging by turns, of Master Sergeant Hugh O'Reilly who wanted to keep on fighting the war that was over for years, when he was ordered to Japan and the American Army of Occupation.

Use the Want Ads for results.

### STRAND THEATRE

PHONE 6-8551  
THURSDAY, JAN. 12  
MISS IT AND YOU'RE A ZERO— HIT IT AND YOU'RE A HERO!  
"TARGET ZERO"  
The Story of the Glory of the Fighting G.I.  
Presented by WARNER BROS. starring RICHARD CONTE-PEGGIE CASTLE  
with CHARLES BRONSON, RICHARD STAPLEY, L. J. JONES  
Produced by CHUCK CONNORS Screen Play by SAM ROLFE  
Directed by DAVID WEISBART Music by HARMON JONES

FRI. & SAT.,  
JAN. 13 & 14  
DOUBLE FEATURE!  
1st HIT  
WARNER BROS. PRESENT  
RANDOLPH SCOTT  
"Riding Shotgun"  
WARNERCOLOR  
ALSO STARRING WITH WAYNE MORRIS - JOAN WELDON  
Screen Play by TOM BLACKBURN Directed by ANDRE DE TOTTA  
2nd HIT

BRET HARTE'S  
"THE OUTCASTS OF POKER FLAT"  
20c  
ANNE BAXTER - DALE ROBERTSON - MIRIAM HOPKINS  
— ALSO —  
Cartoon and Chap. 11 of "ADV. OF CAPT. AFRICA"  
EVERY 13th PERSON IN LINE TO PURCHASE TICKET WILL BE ADMITTED FREE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 13th.

### STRAND THEATRE

Sun. - Mon. - Tues. Jan. 15 - 16 - 17  
AMAZING TRUE ADVENTURE-ROMANCE!  
"THREE STRIPES in the SUN"  
Starring ALDO RAY - PHIL CAREY - DICK YORK  
Introducing MITSUKO KIMURA - Screen Play by RICHARD KRIPPY - Based on the New Yorker magazine article "The Gentle Warrior" by E. J. Kahn, Jr. - Produced by FRED NOLAN - Directed by RICHARD KRIPPY

REPORT OF CONDITION

### First State Bank

of Hazelwood in the State of North Carolina at the close of business on December 31, 1955.

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	\$282,314.01
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	245,285.40
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	5,000.00
Loans and discounts	418,009.49
Bank premises owned \$7,160.00, furniture and fixtures \$3,772.79	10,932.79
Other assets	459.27
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$962,000.96</b>
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	\$529,976.20
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	276,096.50
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	4,269.45
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	87,876.61
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	1,074.03
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$899,292.79</b>
Other liabilities	2,300.85
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$901,593.64</b>
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus	25,000.00
Undivided profits	10,407.32
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>\$ 60,407.32</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>\$962,000.96</b>

\*This bank's capital consists of:  
Common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00.  
Total deposits to the credit of the State of North Carolina or any official thereof \$ 60,000.00

MEMORANDA

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$105,000.00  
Loans as shown above are after deduction of reserves of \$ 3,229.87

I, J. B. Smith, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. B. Smith, Cashier

Correct—Attest:  
R. L. PREVOST  
C. N. ALLEN  
L. N. DAVIS  
Directors.

State of North Carolina, County of Haywood, ss:  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of January, 1956, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

B. S. Chambers, Notary Public.  
My commission expires July 7, 1956.

## NOTICE

THE  
SMOKY MOUNTAIN  
DRIVE-IN THEATRE  
WILL BE  
**CLOSED**  
FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS  
FOR SPRING PAINTING, REPAIRS, ETC.

In The Meantime, Drive-In Theatre Patrons Are Invited To Enjoy Movie Entertainment At Its Best At The

### PARK THEATRE

—The Management.



ALONZA CLAY EDWARDS, farmer of Greene county, and representative for the past eight terms, has announced he is a candidate for Lieutenant governor in the May primary. Edwards has been active in farm programs and legislation for many years. He is active in the affairs of the Methodist church.