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## Paralyzed Girl Heads In Door Sports Club

By JOHN SIKES  
 Turkey, Dec. 18.—"Never martyrdom shall I seek... Never of God shall I lose sight."  
 These two thoughts are the beginning and ending of the Indoor Sports' code. The dots in between cover about every courageous resolve a physically-handicapped person could make to thwart self-pity.  
 Nadelle Peterson, lying flat on the stretcher to which she's confined for life, believes in the code. Paralyzed so she's able to lift her head only slightly from her stretcher pillow, she repeats the code frequently to reaffirm her faith in it.  
 When she, as president of the only Indoor Sports Club chapter south of Philadelphia, accepted the club charter by James Parker, Clinton Exchange Club president, the other night she ended her remarks by quoting the code in full.  
 Here it is:  
 "Never martyrdom shall I seek; Never sarcasm shall I speak; Never ingratitude shall I show; Never discontent shall I grow; Never sympathy shall I desire; Never self-pity shall I acquire; Never unhappiness shall I spread; Never tears of remorse shall I shed; Never sorrow shall I sing; Never selfishness shall I eling; Never criticism shall I write; Never of God shall I lose sight."  
 Quoting from "National Hookup," the Indoor Sports newspaper...  
 "Membership in the club and the chapters thereof, shall be confined to any physically disabled person... either in a bed or a wheelchair or who requires the assistance of at least one person or a mechanical aid to get about... and who has been so disabled for at least six months... (a mechanical aid shall be defined as a crutch, an artificial leg or brace)... any person who has lost both arms, or the permanent use thereof... sightless persons...  
 There is a sort of auxiliary, the Good Sports. These are able-bodied people who assist the handicapped. The Tar Heel chapter is composed of 19 persons from Sampson county, three of whom live in Turkey, one in Roseboro and the others in or near Clinton.  
 Official Good Sports for the chapter is the Clinton Exchange Club which gave the party, for the chapter charter presentation.  
 The Indoor Sports went to the party in everything from pick-up trucks to panel-body jobs, including

automobiles. Miss Peterson, the president of the chapter, arrived in a panel-body truck because she must travel, as she lives, lying down.  
 There was a special ramp built at the entrance of the Clinton Graded School cafeteria, where the Christmas party was held, so the wheelchairs and stretchers bearing the Indoor Sports could be rolled in.  
 The Indoor Sports, far more relaxed and less self-conscious than such Exchange Good Sports as Hamp Lewis, James Parker and C. B. Robinson, sat right up to the tables and ate hearty of the turkey and trimmings.  
 They grinned and chirped buoyantly when St. Nick showed up as if their wasn't a wheelchair in sight.  
 Miss Peterson sat next to me at the second-from-head table and chatted with C. B. Robinson and me just like you'd expect any young woman at a Christmas party to chat. If anybody was self-conscious it was Robinson and me. A couple of hulking guys, we figured we ought to do something about helping Miss Peterson, with her turkey plate on her chest, do something.  
 Not that we pitied her condition. You don't pity Indoor Sports. They won't put up with it. They're trying to lead normal lives and they resent your attempts to pamper them, however well intentioned.  
 "We have parties once a month," Miss Peterson said. "Of our 32, most of us need help in getting to and from the parties. But once we're there we can manage for ourselves."  
 As sort of coincidental proof at that moment an Indoor Sport who looked like he might be in his sixties came scooting over on his wheel chair and mentioned he might use another hunk of the apple pie a-la-mode that topped off the turkey spread.  
 "Another thing," Miss Peterson said, after cracking wise at the wheelchair gentleman, "we don't have club dues to pay for a lot of frills. All we do is get together once a month and have a good time and sort of prove to ourselves, without particularly thinking about anybody else, that just because we're handicapped we don't have to sit or lie home all our lives."  
 These Indoor Sports get about and gossip among themselves so naturally and happily at one of these parties, like this Christmas affair, the only thing an outsider

feels is shame.  
 Shame for himself because he ever complains about a personal misery a little bicarbonate or a couple of aspirins will cure.  
 Like one fellow said to me along toward the end of the party: "So help me, never again will I even mention about my sinuses acting up."

## Jurors Superior Civil Court

Jurors selected for January Civil Term of Superior Court are as follows:

**FIRST WEEK:**  
 Shad Kornegay, Mrs. Grace W. Cooper, G. A. Cavanaugh, C. C. Brinkley, Eusebius W. Johnson, Benjamin F. Brinkley, T. J. Brown, Eugene Pearsall, A. O. Fussell, D. H. Bradshaw, Leland R. Bradshaw, R. M. Jones, D. W. Swinson, B. J. Hobbs, Kenneth R. Grady, Pearlle C. Rivenbark, S. C. Casteen, C. E. Kearns, Gardner Edwards, Kenneth R. Teachey, Joe Rackley, N. V. Brown, Brantley Hawes, T. Tal' Herring, H. B. Kornegay, Gorman Brinson, J. R. Halso, A. B. Lanier, W. R. Peterson, Gardner Houston, Jno. C. Smith, J. W. Evans, Perry Exum Sholar, Leadie Henderson, L. H. Thomas, and J. L. Ketcheside.

**SECOND WEEK:**  
 J. H. Brice, Roy Gibson Lanier, Marion Lanier, J. E. West, Mrs. Susie Smith, Mat Blackburn, John Bradley, G. D. Sholar, Eulysess Henderson, Lewis T. Fountain, Ingram Houston, Durwood Lanier, Johnnie Smith, Mrs. Nina Thomas Jackson, Rudolph Sumner, Perry Hall, Elbert Carter, Lonnie Kennedy, C. W. Surratt, Jr., Herman Rich, Samuel Grimes, R. H. Jones, E. E. Wells, M. C. Lewis, John Justice, C. Rayford Hanchey, W. James Trott, J. E. Grady, Russell Garner, Jesse Brock, W. A. Thigpen, Flave Kennedy, Vivian Rogers, Geo. Andrew Dixon, Fred F. Warren, and Brandon Holland.

## Xmas Program At Long Ridge

There will be a Christmas program at Long Ridge Free Will Baptist Church Thursday night, Dec. 23, at 7:00 o'clock. Along with the annual Sunday School Christmas tree, the pageant "A House Built Unto David" will be presented. All are invited.

## Duplinites Get Cash Awards

Eight farm families and eight individuals of Duplin are richer by \$250 — prizes awarded during last week by the Wallace Jaycees in Better Farming for Better Living growing contest sponsored by them.  
 Cash awards, with lapel buttons and certificates from State College, were made at a meeting in the Community Building, Wallace, with C. L. Shields, Jaycee president, presiding.  
 Among the speakers were L. W. Outlaw, president Duplin Farm Bureau; L. F. Weeks, Farm Agent, who showed motion pictures of corn yields; Neil Bolton, Wilmington, Tide Water agricultural agent; Aubrey Cavanaugh, Warsaw, V. H. Reynolds, Duplin assistant farm agent; and Melvin Cording, Wallace.

Prize winners in the Better Farming for Better Living contest were: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Outlaw of Seven Springs; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Keir of Teachey; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hales of Warsaw, RFD; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lenier of Rose Hill RFD; Mr. and Mrs. Flave Mercer of Beaulville; and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Taylor of Warsaw, RFD.

The corn contest winners and their yields per acre were: Walter J. Smith, Pink Hill, 119.7; Perry Grady, Mt. Olive RFD, 112.5; Gerald Cimmmons, 4-H member, Seven Springs, 108; B. W. Grady, Mt. Olive, RFD, 93.9; F. M. Lambert, Calypso, 97.2; David Fountain, Beaulville, 92.3; Stanley Sanderson, Mt. Olive, RFD, 92.2 and John Waters, Mt. Olive, 87.5.

The Jaycees raised the prize money from the sale of booths and concessions at last Spring's Strawberry Jamboree which they sponsored.

## County Jurors Listed For January

County Court Jurors for the term in January, 1949 are listed as follows:  
 Ralph Sheffield, Adrian Bostic, L. T. Knowles, R. W. Garner, L. F. Jones, Claude Brock, S. D. Smith, Clarence Houston, Troy Williams, Mrs. Gertrude Williams, A. E. Williams, Bland Carter, Ervin Ray Quinn, C. F. Blanchard, Jr., Herder A. Cavanaugh, J. P. Johnson, Tommie Baker, Jr., T. F. Sanderson, James Jackson, Sanders Herring, N. L. Tadlock, Dennie Basden, N. W. West, Ira G. Harper, and N. Z. Teachey.

## EDITORIAL

(From Goldsboro News-Argus)

### YOUR HELP IS ASKED IN THIS

Boy Scouts of Tuscarora Council who died in World War II will be honored. The splendid new dining room of Tuscarora Council camp has been named "Memorial Hall". A plaque of bronze to be placed in the hall will bear the names of the Scouts who died in the late war.

Glenn W. Grier of Smithfield is chairman of the memorial committee. He wants your help to the end that no Boy Scout who died in service shall be omitted from the bronze roll of honor. He writes:

"For the soldiers' plaques we are particularly desirous that no boy or scouter who died in the service shall be overlooked or left out by the Committee. This appeal is that you immediately make it your business to look about your community, check any records, and inquire of any parents of boys who went in the service, with any Scout record at all, and send me the names, dates of birth and death and if possible, the last year connected with Scouting and the rank or position held, bearing in mind that this applies to both Scouts and Scouters. We want everyone who gave his life."  
 If you know of some former Scout who died in Service please write Mr. Grier, giving him that information.

## Stove Door Saves Life

A falling cook stove door probably saved the life of Jim Carr, Rose Hill section Negro, he testified in a preliminary hearing Saturday. He was a witness against James Kelly, Negro of the same section, who was charged with shooting Carr in the hand.

Evidence presented before Magistrate E. W. Sadler was that Kelly shot Carr through a window with a shotgun loaded with buck shot. The stove door fell open and struck Carr causing him to lose balance and fall at the moment the shot was fired. One slug hit Carr.

Deputy Sheriff C. L. Nicholson said Kelly had recently been paroled from prison following his conviction for shooting and killing his wife.

### TRIPLE A BE CLOSED

The AAA offices will be closed here from Tuesday evening until the following Monday after Christmas, it was reported.

## CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, Dec. 26, Wesley Chapel, Rev. A. D. Wood, Minister. All members and friends are urged to attend.

## Quinn Wholesale Store Robbed

The Wholesale establishment of Milford Quinn about two miles out of Warsaw was robbed this week of about 1200 cartons of cigarettes, 400 boxes of cigars and two 100lb. bags of sugar. This is the second time within a few weeks that the Quinn Wholesale Company has been robbed. The first time the thieves only got some \$70 in change. The sheriff's office reports that there were no tracks visible and that the "Blood Hounds of Duplin" could not be used in tracking the thieves. Wherever these dogs of Sheriff Jones are used somebody goes to jail — for they don't miss getting their man if it's possible.

## Employe Service Helps 75 Persons

About 75 persons in Duplin applied for jobs through the State Employment Service the second week of December according to C. B. Rich, Manager of the Goldsboro office. Most of these are unemployed because of seasonal layoffs.

Employment covered by the Fair Employment Security Law has increased in Duplin from 730 workers in 1940 to 1260 in 1947. This is a gain of 72.60%.

Average weekly wages increased 136.44% or from \$11.91 in 1940 to \$28.16 in 1947.

Average employment in Duplin for the second quarter of 1948 was 1,222 with \$477,559 paid in wages. The average weekly wage was \$30.05.

Representatives of the Employment Security Commission are in Britt and Holland's office in Warsaw each second and fourth Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon in the Community Building at Wallace the same days from 1:30 p. m. until 3:30 p.m.