

### About The Children's Home

GREENSBORO, N.C.—The youngest and most helpless citizens in the state have a haven at The Children's Home Society of North Carolina in Greensboro.

Hundreds of homeless children have been helped by the Society since its beginning over a half century ago. As the only state-wide, voluntarily-supported agency in North Carolina licensed to handle adoptions, the Society always has had a dual objective: "to find a home for the child that needs a home and a child for the home that needs a child."

Why have such an organization? Why not handle the transfer of human relationship in a more direct manner, from natural mother to adoptive mother through a well-meaning friend? Because tragedy too often results. Human ties are too fragile to be transferred without every protection modern science can provide.

Yet a child is necessary to make most homes complete, a fact many childless couples realize after several years of married life - couples like Marge and Jim. They had been married seven years when they found they couldn't have a baby. They had just bought their own home, a neat ranch-style house in a Wilmington suburb. The only



A typical Southeastern North Carolina scene - When? 20 years ago? Yes. But it also happened in Kenansville last week. Soony Warren is seen hauling off garage in Kenansville, and old Dobbin pat...  
(Photo by Bob Grady)

## Late Shoppers Gift Guide For A Merrier Christmas

- GIFTS FOR HIM—**
- Broadcloth Pajamas .....\$2.98
  - Lined Gabardine Jackets .....\$4.95-\$8.95
  - Ties .....\$1.00
  - All Leather Belt .....\$1.00
  - Lounging Robes .....\$5.95
  - Leather Dress Gloves .....\$2.25-\$2.98
  - Fur Felt Hats .....\$4.95
  - House Slippers .....\$1.98-\$3.95
  - Dress Shirts .....\$1.98-\$2.98
  - Boys' Jackets (lined and unlined) .....\$2.98-\$6.98
- GIFTS FOR HER—**
- Chenille Robes .....\$3.29-\$5.95
  - Dusters .....\$2.98-\$8.95
  - Slips .....\$1.00-\$3.95
  - Panties, Briefs .....29c-\$1.00
  - Plastic Raincoats .....\$1.98
  - Handbags .....\$1.00-\$1.98
  - Suede Fabric Gloves .....89c

- Sweaters**  
NYLON, WOOL  
\$1.98 - \$2.98  
Nylon Hosiery  
79c
- Blouses**  
Cotton  
Nylon, Rayon,  
\$1.00 - \$3.95

**—FOR THE HOME—**

- Chenille Bedspreads .....\$3.99
- Sofa Pillows .....\$1.00
- Table Lamps .....\$3.98
- Boudoir Lamps .....\$2.98
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thing missing was a baby. They applied at every adoption agency in North Carolina, only to find the demand for babies was ten to every one child available for adoption. The "red tape," which they later found was for their own protection as well as that of the child, seemed insurmountable.

Their need for a baby shriveled into a sickly, chronic hankering. When Marge's mother, vacationing at a summer resort in another state, heard of a baby soon to be born who would be available for adoption, she phoned Marge and Jim. They responded eagerly and affirmatively.

Refusing to worry about the words of caution they had heard in regard to "safe adoption procedures" they flew to the resort to make necessary arrangements to get the baby. They returned with Robbie in their arms.

In their happiness over Robbie, they overlooked the gnawing doubt even then in their minds. In the haste of the proceedings, they had neglected to get a birth certificate or any legal documents to verify the adoption.

They saw the consequences of their oversight a month later when a man called to inform them that Robbie's mother wanted him back, that she had changed her mind. Marge and Jim understood.

That day they made the first of a series of payments, never regular, never for a fixed amount - buying permission to keep Robbie with them. They considered going to a lawyer, but they knew they had broken the law in taking the boy. They knew they didn't have a "leg to stand on" in court, and in the end they probably would lose Robbie who was growing more important to them every day.

When Robbie was old enough to be enrolled in kindergarten, what should have been a day of hope and pride became a day of shame and panic. When the registrar noted the discrepancy in the name on the birth certificate, and the name Marge and Jim had given their son, she wanted to know their relationship to the boy. What was their source of authority over him? Marge had rehearsed an explanation based on half truths and evasions to cover up the dishonorable business.

Kindergarten was only the beginning. As a trustful, happy little boy, Robbie's horizons are cloudless. But on the long road to manhood, he learns he has no status, not as the child of Marge and Jim nor of anyone else. At each important step in his life - college entrance, admission to a profession or trade, military training, voting, marriage, passport, even a license to drive a car - he will have to meet questions as to his legitimacy and his place in the human family.

Who is he? What is his real name? What are his legal rights to inheritance? And Marge and Jim must pay the heavy penalty of fear and insecurity, knowing they have no right to parenthood but love for a child.

This is one of the reasons the need for licensed adoption agencies such as The Children's Home Society is greater than ever. A test that every prospective parent should apply to any adoption with whom they are dealing is: Is the agency fully licensed (a qualified agency always complies with state laws). Does it place children near blood relatives? (This is never done by The Children's Home Society). Has it established a good reputation in the field of adoption (Make sure it is not a fly-by-night agency).

Will it permit trial placements of children previously unknown to the adoptive parents? (This violates every sound principle of modern adoption procedure.)

Harriet L. Tynes, executive director of the Children's Home Society, has pointed out that a qualified children's agency will have the advice of competent pediatricians and lawyers who can advise on the medical and legal problems involved in every adoption case. This is a guarantee to parents that they will know the exact state of the child's health and that the adoption complies in full with all legal requirements.

At the Children's Home Society, an experienced caseworker is assigned to every couple. Every infant receives a complete physical examination and his background is studied by skilled caseworkers while a lawyer checks to make sure there are no legal entanglements.

Magnolia News

### Program Meth. Church Tuesday

The Magnolia Methodist Church will present a Christmas program on Tuesday December 22 at the church.

There will also be a Christmas tree and members of the Sunday School will exchange gifts. Santa Claus will be present to pass out the gifts and to talk with the boys and girls.

### W. M. S. Entertain M. Y. F.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church entertained the Methodist Youth Fellowship Saturday night at the Woman's Club building.

Christmas decorations were used and there was a large Christmas tree.

After games were played gifts were exchanged.

Ice cream and Christmas cupcakes were served.

### Cantata Dec. 20th.

Sunday evening, December 20, at 7:30 the Magnolia Baptist Choir will present a Cantata, "Song of the Holy Night." (Story of the birth of Christ in music.) The public is cordially invited.

### B. T. U. Film Sunday

At the B. T. U. closing assembly a film entitled "The Star Shines" is to be shown. It is hoped that many will make an effort to see this picture Sunday night.

### Circles Met

The Alice Hunter and Alice Swinson Circles of the Magnolia Baptist Church met in a joint session Tuesday night, December 8 at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Taylor. Mrs. J. D. Everette presided at the meeting and gave the devotional. A short

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a better social life."  
—Mrs. Callie W. Miller.

"Home Demonstration work is one of the most important things in my life today. We have the most efficient leaders in the State to train us. I believe that through the teachings of Home Demonstration work we can make better citizens of tomorrow, enlarge the opportunities and offer a greater service to our fellowman. I believe that the greatest character of humanity begins in the home. Our Home Agent brings us the latest and best information on home and family economics. I never want to miss any demonstration at club meetings.

I am proud to belong to this organization that helps me to learn to be a more efficient home-maker."

—Mrs. J. E. Torrans.

"Home Demonstration Club work means to me recreation and keeping up with the newest methods of doing things in the home. It also has helped me to be a better leader."

—Mrs. Roy Sanderson.

"I enjoy Home Demonstration work because it is the only organization in our community that we have the pleasure of attending with complete unity with all the ladies of our rural section.

Through our club work we learn to work together, play together, love and to share our griefs and sorrows, but most of all we learn to love our neighbor as our self. I have attended the meetings regularly for eight years. I can truly say I really love Home Demonstration work."

—Mrs. Charlie Jones.

### Womans Civic Club

The Woman's Civic Club met at the home of Mrs. John A. Wilson with Mrs. Jack Joyner assisting, Monday night Dec. 14.

Mrs. L. E. Pope, president called the meeting to order. Mrs. Clifton Chestnut read the minutes of the last meeting, and Mrs. Melvin Pope, treasurer gave the treasurers report.

John Smith, Scoutmaster was present and gave a report on the Scouts progress. The Civic Club sponsors the scouts!

After a short business session gifts were exchanged.

The hostesses served pound cake, toasted peaches, chicken salad sandwiches, mints and coffee to the 17 members and one visitor present.

The Jan. meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. L. E. Pope.

### Personals

Mrs. L. E. Pope spent Wednesday and Thursday with her daughter Mrs. James E. Jones and family in New Bern. She attended a Christmas Review in which her grandson Jimmy participated.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tucker and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tucker attended the "Messiah" presented by the E. C. C. choir in Greenville last Sunday.

Mrs. J. O. Smith and Mrs. Abbie Smith shopped in Goldsboro last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Pippin and Mrs. L. E. Pope attended a flower show and shopped in Raleigh last Saturday.

The value of Home Demonstration Club work means to me that I learn new methods of house keeping. For instance, how to remodel old furniture, better ways of how to can and fix frozen foods, how to choose clothes so I will know I am getting the best for my money. Also, I get to learn more about my neighbors."

—Mrs. J. H. Williams.

"First, I enjoy immensely the social contact the Home Demonstration work provides. An opportunity is given me to meet not only the ladies in my community, but also those of my county and other counties. It enables me to widen my circle of friends and acquaintances.

Secondly, I've learned from my Home Demonstration work new ideas and methods which have helped me improve and enjoy more almost every phase of home-making. I'd like to mention a few of the ideas which have interested and helped me most.

I've gotten much pleasure from the new recipes and other kitchen hints my club has afforded, since I'm especially interested in new food combinations.

The flower arrangements that I've observed in my club and at county exhibitions have interested me greatly. I've also learned a great deal about the planting and raising of flowers that I did not know.

Another interesting feature of our club is the programs we've had on home furnishings. The suggestions offered by the demonstrations and literature have been of great value to me.

Thirdly, I think a Home Demonstration Club in any rural community serves to enrich the life of that community. It serves to make better citizens of the community's members. I believe it has done this for me.

Home of Phil Kretsch, Jr., Kenansville's Banker recently completed on Limestone Street.

Rose Hill girls won over Kenansville girls with a score of 59 to 32. High scorers for Kenansville were Brown with 22 and for Rose Hill was Waters with 27.

close cooperation in the community that would not otherwise be there. Community projects can be undertaken and be followed through to a successful conclusion."  
—Annie M. Korngay.

### County Basketball

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Calypto was Turner with 30, and High scorers for Magnolia were Merritt with 12 and Lanier with 8. High scorers for Faison were Miller with 15 and Faison with 15. The Magnolia girls won over the Faison girls with a score of 78 to 58. High scorers for Magnolia were Bachelor with 37, and Hilda Brown with 32. High scorers for Faison girls were A. Bowden with 23, and Einos with 18.

#### Beulaville Takes Two

Beulaville boys won over Kenansville boys with a score of 55 to 47. High scorers for Kenansville were Hall with 14, Bell with 10, and Outlaw with 10. High scorer for Beulaville was Dobson with 22. Beulaville girls won over Kenansville girls with a score of 43 to 28. High scorers for Beulaville were Mercer with 19, and for Kenansville, Brown with 13.

December 11 Wallace played at Warsaw, Kenansville at Rose Hill and Chiquapin at B. F. Grady.

#### Wallace Takes Doubleheader

The Wallace boys won over the Warsaw boys with a score of 63 to 34. High scorers for Wallace were Carlton with 17, Wallace with 15 and Fretwell with 12. High scorer was Quinn with 15 for Warsaw. Wallace girls won over Warsaw girls with a score of 67 to 32. High scorer for Wallace was Currie with 19 and for Warsaw was Gore with 15.

#### Grady Wins Two

B. F. Grady boys won over Chiquapin boys with a score of 46 to 41. High scorer for Chiquapin was Halso. The B. F. Grady girls won over Chiquapin girls with a score of 72 to 58. High scorer for B. F. Grady was S. Herring and for Chiquapin, James.

#### Kenansville Splits With Rose Hill

Kenansville boys won over Rose Hill boys with a score of 43 to 37. High scorers for Kenansville were Outlaw 16, and Daughtry with 14.

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Old Spice Sets for Men \$1.50 - \$5.75

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LARGE

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Xmas Light Set ..... 98c - \$1.98

## Standard Drug Stores

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CAROL WAS A ROUGH GIRL.—The "Queen of Bermuda" met "Carol," and when the two "girls" finished fighting, here is how the lounge of the luxury liner Crown of Bermuda appeared when she reached port. Trouble with the hurricane, given the name of "Carol" by weathermen, resulted in injuries to 25 passengers vacation-bound from New York to Bermuda. The ship had suffered considerable damage to the rig of the hurricane funnel within 24 miles of her course.