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**GIVE—so your RED CROSS can carry on!**

**School Lunchrooms**

Orange county school children this week started paying increased prices for their school lunchrooms as the result of the decrease in the amount of federal aid available to subsidize the program. For the past several years the Orange county children have been paying 15 cents for the lunch served them at mid-day in a number of the county schools. This low-cost lunchroom program has been successful in the county and the school authorities have been pleased over the way it has worked for the benefit of the children.

Starting this week, however, these 15-cent lunches are costing the children from 20 to 25 cents. The difference in the price of the lunches depends on the school in question and how cheaply the individual school authorities feel they can successfully operate the program.

In Chapel Hill, though, the lunches will cost approximately 30 cents, according to information from C. W. Davis, principal of the school.

In addition to receiving aid from the Federal government, the schools have also received food stuffs from the Marketing Division of the Department of Agriculture. This service will be continued, and will play a vital part in the continuation of the lunchroom program in the county.

It is encouraging to know that the school authorities are not going to decrease the lunchrooms, but have elected to increase the prices in order to continue the program.

The increased prices, however, may in many instances work a hardship on some families with several children in school.

To civic clubs or other groups of citizens interested in the welfare of our school children, we would suggest they investigate the lunchrooms with the idea of aiding them.

**Stop Forest Fires**

The fifth annual cooperative forest fire prevention campaign is being launched this week in North Carolina by State Forester, W. K. Beichler, as part of the national cooperative forest fire prevention campaign, which is being

announced simultaneously in 11 states in the South.

Key slogans of the campaign will be geared first to the expectation of greatly increased use of the forests by recreation seekers and second to the urgent nation-wide need for timber for home-building in the next few years.

The first slogan is, "Please, folks, be extra careful this year. Remember, only you can prevent forest fires." The second is, "Burned Timber Builds No Homes."

Orange county was extremely fortunate last year, according to a recent report by Fire Warden P. H. Johns, in that not too serious damage was done because of forest fires.

Let us hope that the county can again this year go through the forest fire season without any damage to our timber.

**It Should Pass**

We were not surprised that the state house of representatives passed the North Carolina Federation's wildlife bill to separate the division of Game and Inland Fisheries from the Department of Conservation and Development, and we anticipate similar action by the senate, with certain amendments.

Because of the widespread dissatisfaction here and throughout the state among the sportsmen with the present set-up, this action is perhaps the most sensible solution to the problem.

We are convinced that the state should have a bigger and better game and fish department and that this would pay real dividends to our own people, as well as attract more people into our state.

We believe that the bill's provisions relative to the appointment and qualifications of members of the commission should be amended.

—The Transylvania Times Brevard, N. C.

**By The News**

**THE WEATHER:** When will it end is the question everyone is asking about this weather we have been having for the past three weeks. All I can say is that the groundhog gave us fair warning of what to expect. . . Of

course, none of us expected anything like we have had. . . Sunday afternoon coming back from Rocky Mount I had a perfect example of what old man weather can do when he starts to work. . .

**TAKE YOUR CHOICE:** In Rocky Mount Sunday we had rain and sleet. . . On the trip back to Hillsboro I ran into a heavy snowstorm between Bunn and Wake Forest. . . Then the weather settled off to more rain and to top the whole day off the sun was trying to break through the clouds when I reached Hillsboro. . . Folks down east-way couldn't believe it when I told them we still had snow around here in the forests and along ditch banks where the sun seldom hits. . . For my part, this weather can stop any time.

**NEW EQUIPMENT:** THE NEWS added a couple of pieces of new equipment this week, but only to the back shop fellows who piece together the many pieces of linotype metal

in your newspaper will the conditions be especially known. The new pieces of equipment are two composing stones purchased from Josh Horne, publisher of the Rocky Mount Evening Telegram. . . They are to replace the old stones brought into THE NEWS office when the printing shop was set up here.

**SUGGESTION:** One of the best letters to the editor we have received in quite a while is printed in this week's issue on this page. . . It's a letter from Dr. George Chrisman of Chapel Hill describing the work of the Chapel Hill Rotary Club in its pig chain. . . The club has been of tremendous help in bringing in pure-bred pigs in the county. . . Dr. Chrisman's letter describes exactly how the project was started and the success of it to date.

**MORE LETTERS:** It's been subscription-renewing time around THE NEWS office for the past couple of

weeks and our thanks go to those who have taken the opportunity to write us short notes about how much they have enjoyed reading the paper each week. . . A couple received by Mae Lark, circulation manager, are: "We are proud of our paper for having won first place in General Excellence in 1946. Congratulations. Enclosed is \$2.00 to renew my subscription." Another from out of state reads: "There is nothing that I enjoy more than my county paper." There were many more telling how much our readers enjoy THE NEWS

**OTHERSIDE:** But don't get the idea that all our letters are of the commendation variety. . . There are some who have decided to stop THE NEWS. . . And there are some letters from subscribers who thought they were subscribing to THE NEWS only to discover that they had subscribed to another paper they thought inferior to THE NEWS. . . All of which we

**Letters To The Editor**

This column does not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of this newspaper.

Dear Editor:

Perhaps you would be interested to get some figures or data on the pig club which the Chapel Hill Rotary Club is sponsoring.

Back in 1945 the club decided to donate sufficient funds to purchase ten pure-bred spotted Poland China sow pigs. These pigs were to be placed in the hands of boys and girls in this side of the county. These boys and girls were selected with the assistance of Mr. Don Matheson and Mr. E. P. Barnes of the Agriculture Extension Department. Dr. Chrisman was placed in charge of this project for the Rotary Club. The boys and girls who received these pigs were to grow them to maturity, breed them to a pure-bred male of the same breeding, register the pigs in the American Spotted Poland China Registry Association. Each boy or girl who received a pig is to give back to the Rotary Club the choice

have to answer and explain how the mistake probably occurred and invite them to become one of our subscribers.

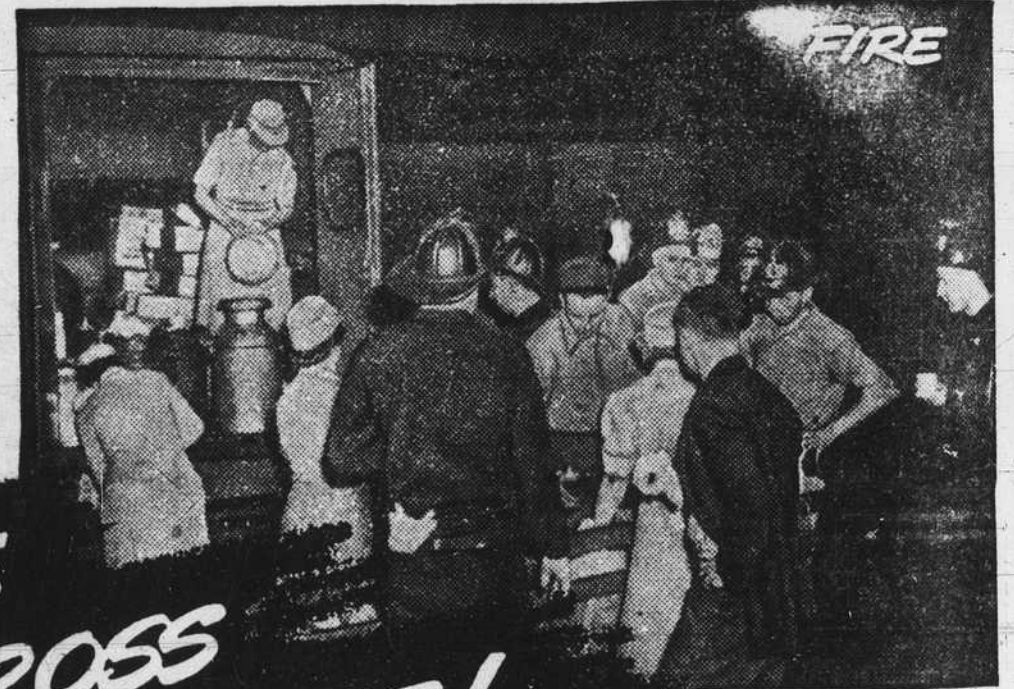
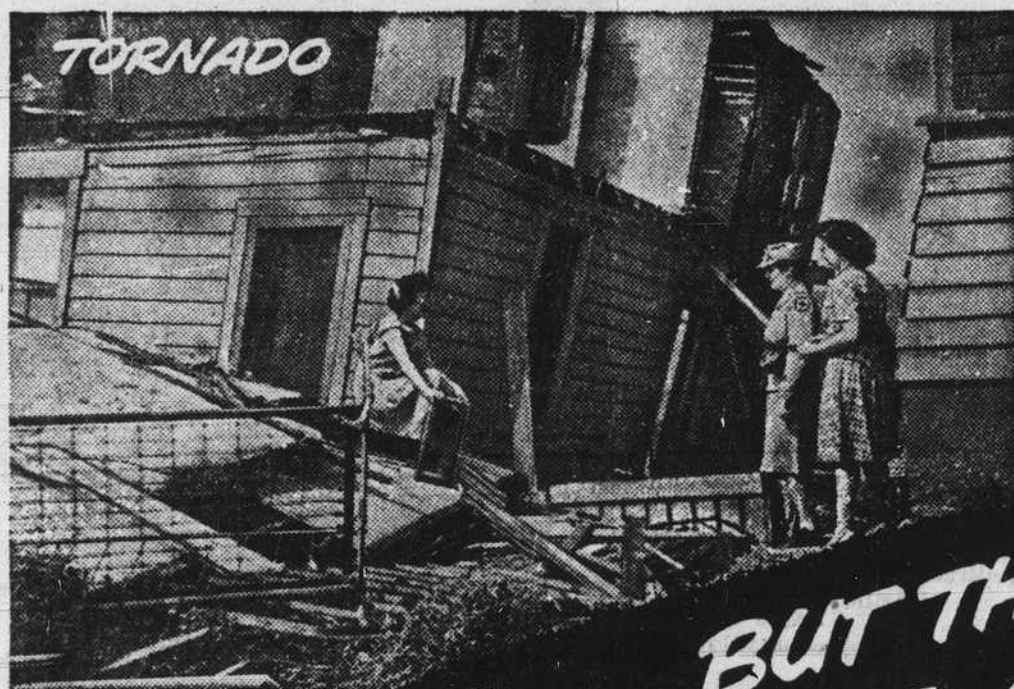
of the sow pigs of the first litter. These pigs in turn are to be given to other boys and girls.

On November 25, 1945, in the dining room of the Carolina Inn at a regular meeting, the first two pigs were given to Bobby and John Carroll of the Mt. Moriah Church community. Both of these pigs have grown to maturity and have given birth to a litter of pigs. Bobby's sow farrowed nine pigs, and John's farrowed seven. These are exceptionally good first litters for young sows. John has already given back to the Rotary Club his pig, Bobby will likewise in a short time as soon as the pigs are eight weeks old. John has sold the remaining pigs for breeding purposes.

The other boys and girls who received Rotary pigs are: Coleman Gentry, Route 1, Chapel Hill; Caswell Andrews, Route 1, Chapel Hill; Landis Cannady, Route 1, Hillsboro; Jacob Hardee, Carrboro; Carolyn Anne Thompson, Route 1, Chapel Hill; Kenneth Brown, Route 2, Chapel Hill; Wayne Hutchins, Route 2, Chapel Hill; James

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**DISASTER will strike this year!**



**... BUT THE RED CROSS WILL BE THERE!**

In 65 years, the American Red Cross has relieved over 4,000 disasters of all kinds. Last year, alone, it assisted more than 136,000 people battered by catastrophe.

This year, the suffering and misery will again be great when new calamities strike down additional thousands. But come what may, you can depend on this:

As always, the Red Cross will be there to reduce the toll . . . ease the pain . . . soften the suffering.

Emergency aid for the injured . . . food and shelter for the homeless . . . help in restoring homes according to need. These services—and many more—the Red Cross will provide to all needy sufferers regardless of creed or race, young or old.

This vital work requires money—lots of it. Your support is urgently needed. So please give—and give generously—to your Red Cross chapter. There is no worthier cause!

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