

PRE-PAYMENT NECESSITATED BY RISING COSTS...

New Times Subscription Policy Starts Tomorrow

The Lincoln Times' faith in its large family of subscribers proved more than justified last week as many Times readers, recognizing the economic squeeze which made the newspaper set a new policy in regard to subscriptions, visited the office and helped The Times to get its subscription lists in order.

It was in the spirit of cooperation which The Times had hoped for that these loyal readers came to the newspaper plant and took care of subscriptions which had gone unadvertised into arrears, and paid in advance for continuing service.

A FORCED DECISION

The Times' new subscription policy, made necessary by skyrocketing costs in regard to labor, newsprint, metal, ink, and everything that goes into the making of a newspaper, will become effective tomorrow, Nov. 15. It will be necessary for all subscriptions to be pre-paid by tomorrow for continued delivery.

It is strictly a business expedient for The Times, which had two choices—either raise the price of the annual subscription, or else institute the paid-in-advance policy, which is general in newspaper operation throughout the country. The Times had for years found it possible not to insist on such pre-payment, but finally was forced by rising costs to do so in order to continue printing the paper.

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4-H Achievement Program Plans Are Completed

Plans have been completed for the 4-H Achievement Program. It will be held Wednesday night, November 16th and 7:30 p.m.

The old gym at the Lincoln High School will be the place for this annual event.

JOHNNY LANTZ PRESIDES
Johnny Lantz, a member of the Union Senior 4-H Club, and President of the County 4-H Council will preside at the meeting. Awards will be given to club members who have excelled in the various projects for girls and boys.

Dennis Setzer, Jr. of the Asbury Club and vice president of the County Council will conduct a devotional period.

The formal program will be followed by a period of active recreation. This will be led by Henry Dameron, Assistant Farm Agent, Cleveland County.

Results of projects will be exhibited by club members. These exhibits will be judged on Wednesday afternoon prior to the evening program.

EXHIBIT REQUEST
Members who wish to exhibit some of their work are requested to get it to the office of the agents by noon Wednesday, or to the gymnasium between noon and 3:30 p.m. Judging will begin shortly after 3:30.

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Pulpwood Co. Opens Monday At Iron Station

Lincoln Pulpwood Co., owned by Wester Bros. of Charlotte, will open at Iron Station on Monday, Nov. 21.

The company's office will be located on the Seaboard railway siding at Iron Station. The firm will buy pulpwood in truck load lots. Pine pulpwood will be bought, also limited quantities of poplar, gum and maple. The office will be in charge of Don Harrill, well known Lincoln county man, and will be open daily Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (See adv. in today's issue of The Times.)

Over 700 "First" Salk Polio Shots Are Given Here

Lincolnton physicians are continuing to administer the first Salk anti polio shot to those in the priority group at a fairly fast pace, it was learned today. There is a charge of \$3 per shot.

A distribution system was set up some weeks ago whereby the Salk vaccine was made available to local physicians in three priority groups—the first category being children from birth to 5 years old and expectant mothers. Over 700 "first" shots have been administered by local doctors to date, it was reported. And, there have been no ill effects from the shots, not even sore arms, one physician stated.

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Scout Court Of Honor Thursday

The monthly Lincoln County Boy Scout Court of Honor will be held on Thursday night, November 17, at 7:45 o'clock in the First Presbyterian church.

A Scoutmaster and Cubber roundtable will also be held during the court, and a supper meeting of district Scout committeemen at 6 p.m. at the North State Hotel prior to the court.

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MAY QUEEN... Miss Eleanor Seagle, daughter of Mrs. Garland Seagle of this city, has recently been elected May Queen at Montreat College, Montreat.

Miss Seagle, who is a senior, majoring in Elementary Education, is the president of her class. Among the other offices she has held include: Chairman of Foreign Missions and Religious Education on the Student Christian Council; Chairman and Secretary of the Red Cross Chapter, and a reporter for the Dialectic staff.

She is also a member of the college chorus, Kappa Pi Beta literary society, the Collegiate Council of the United Nations, the Life Service group, the Thallians Dramatic Club, and the chapel choir.

P-TA Meeting Tuesday
The South Aspen Street P-TA will hold its regular monthly meeting in the school auditorium Tuesday afternoon Nov. 15th at 3:15. All parents are urged to attend.

Indications are that improvement in range feed conditions and a continuing trend toward enlarging farm flocks will lead to an increase in sheep numbers next year.

SIXTY-EIGHTH BIRTHDAY EVENT ...

Ramsour Hardware Event Attracts 1,500 Persons

It wasn't County Fair Day in Lincolnton Thursday—it was just the crowds pressing toward Ramsour Hardware Co., which was celebrating its 68th Anniversary with a giant "Open House" event which drew 1,500 visitors during the day.

The company was a genial host, serving free refreshments to all who called, and awarding nine handsome gifts to lucky registrants.

The \$50 cash prize was claimed by Steven Henry of 210 East Water Street, who was present to claim his good fortune.

The other winners were:
1—E. W. Rudisill of Lincolnton Rt. 3, a Presto automatic skillet.
2—Sonny Lewis of 610 West Congress Street, enough Kurpees paint to dress up two rooms.
3—Mrs. Albert D. Goodson of Boger City, a Toastmaster toast and jam set.
4—Mrs. Bennett Ballard of Lincolnton Rt. 3, a General Electric steam and dry iron.

ONE OF OLDEST
Ramsour Hardware, with Lanning-Keziah Drug Store, are the only two Main Street businesses with so long a standing as members of Lincolnton's business family. Ramsour's was established here in 1887—22 years after the Civil War—by Henry E. and J. B. Ramsour in a building on North Court-square now occupied by Bumgarner's Shell Service Station.

The store later was moved to the Cobb Building (now the Reinhardt Building and occupied by Conner Furniture Co.), and then in 1903 to its present location on East Main Avenue. The present store building had just been erected by Bob Michael and Mrs. Annie Hoke.

Present officers of the company are: David C. Heavner, president; E. Carr Heavner, vice-president and treasurer; and Mrs. E. C. Heavner, vice-president.

E. Carr Heavner has been with the firm for 37 years, joining it as a clerk shortly after the Armistice in 1918. Later, he purchased the interest and the stock.

Ramsour Hardware employees include: June H. Summey of Lincolnton, Rt. 4, 17 years with the company; Hubert Gilbert of Lincolnton, with the company for 11 years; and Ray Goodson of Lincolnton Rt. 3, four years with Ramsour's.

Information as to whether or not a knife was found at the scene was not learned by The Times.

Following the shooting, Williams called deputy Jack Schronce and Schronce, along with deputy B. L. Tallent, answered the call. Sheriff Heavner, coroner Guy Cline and SBI agent J. R. Vanderford of Shelby were called in on the investigation.

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Funeral services for Ray will be held Tuesday at 4 p.m. in the Salem Baptist Church with burial in the church cemetery.

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Shotgun Blast Kills Pledger Ray; Lincoln Man Held In Shooting

Variety Show Features Top Performers

The Band Parents Club will again sponsor the Variety Show, which has become an annual event, on Friday night, Nov. 18, at 8 o'clock.

Top performers capable of producing an evening of fun-packed entertainment will again feature the show.

Presented in the show will be a variety of numbers including acrobatics, dancing, skits, musical selections, both solo and ensemble. Even an all-girl orchestra to furnish the glamour necessary to make the evening a real success.

It is hoped that a full house will be present to enjoy the show and to give their support to the High School Band.

All tickets are 50c.

Rev. A. F. Blackburn, of Landis, N. C., will begin a revival meeting at the Friendly Chapel Baptist church Wednesday, November 16. The meeting will continue through November 21 with services being held each evening at 7:00 o'clock. The public is invited.

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