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 Music for Appalachian, American, English and Danish folk dancing is played by Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wood and Stanley Kramer.
 Folk songs collected in Clay and Cherokee counties and other Appalachian songs will be a part of each program. The public is invited to attend.



Maurice Wade England

Hayesville Youth Wins 4-H Contest

Maurice England, of Hayesville has been declared state winner in the 4-H burley tobacco project for 1969. His project record was judged in competition with the other entries in this program.
 Maurice has been in 4-H Club work for six years, and has carried the burley tobacco project for three years. He will be recognized along with the other state 4-H project winners on July 30, at N.C. State University in Raleigh. The awards for state winners will be presented at this time.
 As a 4-H member, Maurice has been very active and has participated in many 4-H activities and events. He is a member of the Riverside 4-H Club and the son of Mr. and Mrs. P.W. England of Hayesville.

CUZ'S CORNER

Circle Grows Smaller



It seems that my circle of friends keeps getting smaller and smaller. I guess I oughta try to do something about it, but it looks to me like it would be a big job and big jobs always did kinda discourage me. Like mowing my grass in the summer time. That's a mighty big job and it's just like Papa's

cotton used to be. We could pick it but it wouldn't stay picked. And I could cut that grass but it wouldn't stay cut. I tried time and again to convince my B.W. of how discouraging that grass business was on account of its being such a big job. She suggested that I divide it into fourths, then it wouldn't be such a big and discouraging job. I thought eightths or sixteenths would be better but she held out for fourths. You know how women are. She had her way. So, I divided it up and the fourth I cut first was the least one on the flattest ground. I started to put the mower away and she wanted to know why. I told her that according to my division I had cut a fourth of it and that, I thought, was what she had insisted on, and I'd cut the second fourth, maybe, next day, and so on till I got it all done.

few of my friends by writing about them in this column. I COULD quit that, but... well, you see I've written nearly everything I know about my kinfolks. I did them first. Now the way it is with kinfolks, you can't get rid of them no matter what you do. They get mad at me, and all, but they are just as before I did 'em up in this column. But with friends it's different.

So, as I write about first one and then another of them they get out of the circle. Then a few more have gotten out because I'm slow to pay my bills. Course this is a different kind altogether. And there are two ways of losing this kind of friend. By paying 'em what you owe 'em or refuse to. No, I haven't ever out and out refused to pay my debts, it's just that some of these friends run out of patience with me.

Then some of my friends have just gotten disgusted with me on general principles and got out of the circle. And one or two I kicked out myself. These were friends that owed ME.

And after news like this has circulated around it is pretty hard for me to make any new friends. So, you see what a problem this situation can get to be?

Every once in a while I hear of somebody that I want to be sure and remember, so I don't slip up and get to be friends with 'em before I know it.

Like not long ago, when my B.W. went to the local Cancer Clinic, there was one of these that I want to be sure and watch out for. You know this Cancer Clinic is one of them things where all the civic minded club women volunteer as helpers so they can get their names in the papers. And I guess that remark will cause all the local women's clubs to pass a resolution not to EVER admit me as a member. But I don't care one bit if they do.

Anyhow, this one lady got there late. This is customary. You see, if they got there early somebody might think they were eager to get their names in the paper. So they get there late, like they don't care one way or the other. They know their names will be in there anyhow.

This lady, soon as she got in there, started asking this one and that one if they had had this, that, and the other done. They all had, including my B.W. Then Mrs. B. began telling this lady how smart she was to get there late "to help out" after all the work was done. You know, good naturedly and everything. They chatted some, like women will, and my B.W. asked her who she was. She said, "I'm Mrs. So and So, an eye doctor's wife". You see she couldn't resist the temptation to get in a plug for this doctor husband of hers. Then B.W. says, "I'm Cuz's wife." Now here is where I was expecting B.W. to tell me that Mrs. So and So said a lot of nice things like she read my column and how good it was and all, and how much she always looked forward to reading it, and things like that. But you know what she said? She said, "How do you stand him?" I won't tell you what B.W. said in answer to that question. All I'll tell you is that she was mighty glad to find somebody who seemed to sympathize with her.

And I'll also tell you that no matter how small my circle of friends may become, or how bad I may need to enlarge it, that's one woman who won't ever be able to get in it I don't care what she does.

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