

# North Fork News

OR Mountain Views

By Oden Walker  
William Brown was admitted to the Moore VA hospital some time ago. We are sorry that we didn't get this item in last week's paper as a news getter we are no good. Mr. Brown will undergo surgery this week, and we wish him a speedy recovery and back in his place as our neighbor.

Thomas Morris has bought a 1936 Chevrolet to use during the hunting season.  
Mrs. Chester Miller continues to be very ill.

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Blane Morris has recently built a new barn.  
Betty Jo Cordell has accepted a position with Knight's Drug store.  
We went to services at the Little Rock church near the high school last Saturday night, and had a very good time. The Rev. Ervin Sluder delivered a sermon of great depth and power. But first there was a joyous song service that lasted until almost 9 o'clock. When it was over, we mingled with a host of very dear friends, including the Rev. Carl Roland, who Minnie used to know around Marion when he was a little fellow. When everyone finally went home we went out to Vaden Marrett's and visited with his family until midnight.  
The Little Rock church is building some much needed Sunday school rooms. Needless to say they are having to raise funds. We were not asked and no one suggested that we do this, but if any of our Gentle Readers want to give of their substance to a worthy cause, we entreat you to see Vaden Marrett or the Rev. George Reynolds and hand them a few dollars for this most deserving undertaking.

Grace Ballew O'Brian spent last week end with friends in Marion.  
Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Greenwood, their small chap, and Mr. Carder were driving around North Fork last Sunday. Minnie and this reporter had the pleasure of showing them through our church.  
Judy Byrd played the opening hymns for us last Sunday. Judy is going to make a good church pianist, she doesn't get rattled if she makes a mistake. Betty Jean Shook took over at preaching service. Sunday night we had still

another charming young lady to play for us, Mrs. Bob Miller's sister, Miss Mary Todd, from the eastern part of the state did a very beautiful job for us. Miss Todd has been on North Fork for some time. She is staying at Bob's while she takes a business course in Asheville. We are most grateful to have her with us.  
The binding power of music is a curious thing. It seems that if anyone ever plays with us, or for us to sing, there will always be a love and feeling of kinship that wasn't there before. This closeness is noticeable among all singers and musicians, of course, there are different clans; the gospel singers, the hillbillies, the long-haired boys, and many others. One is fortunate indeed to be able to appreciate all music.

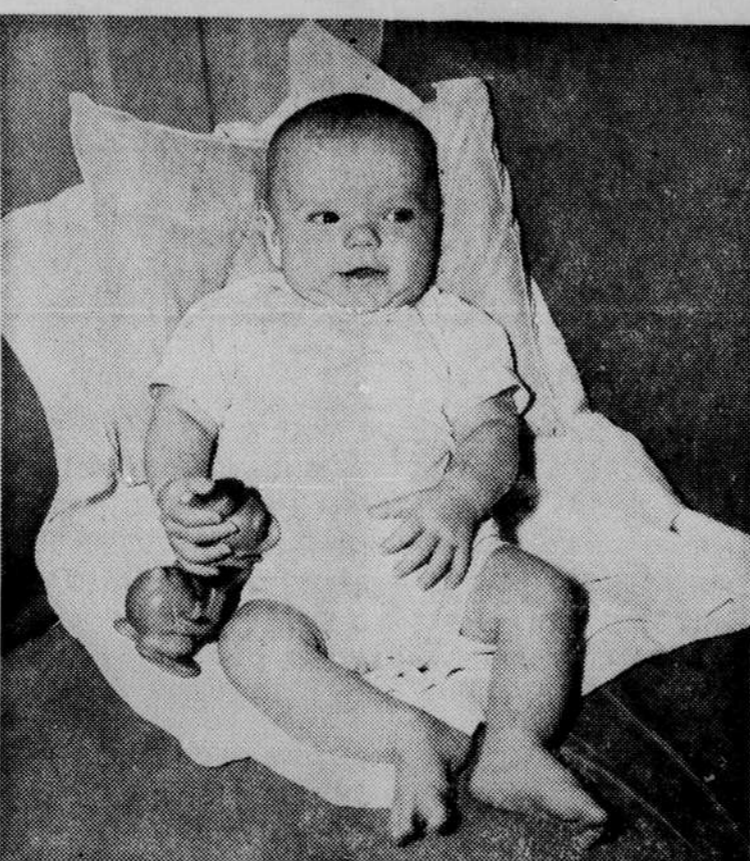
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The Governor of North Carolina, W. Kerr Scott, presents a copy of the Proclamation of CROP Sunday and CROP Week to the Rev. Carl E. Key of Durham, the State Director. Looking on in Commissioner of Agriculture, L. Y. Ballentine, who is State CROP Chairman. CROP Sunday is November 9 and CROP Week is November 9-15 when "solicitation of gifts" for overseas feeding is made. "The aim of CROP is to save lives, restore hope, lay Christian foundations for peace. I urge our rural people," said Governor Scott, "to give their wholehearted support to CROP." Shown here (left to right) are Mr. Key, Governor Scott, and Mr. Ballentine.

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## Plants In State Have Doubled Since End of War

Since the end of World War II in 1945, the number of manufacturing plants in North Carolina has more than doubled, records of the Division of Commerce and Industry of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development show.

In 1945, according to Paul Kelly, industrial development administrator for the Department of Conservation and Development, there were 4,029 manufacturing plants in the state. In 1951, there were 8,272 plants, a gain of 4,243 plants. Back in 1945 there were 312,358 persons employed in manufacturing plants in the state; in 1951 the number had grown to 425,000, a gain of 112,642.

This is a record Kelly will be able to point to when he appears on the program of the conservation congress to be held in Raleigh, Nov. 17-19, when full-scale discussions of the state's human and natural resources will be held. The congress, sessions of which will be held in the hall of the State Capitol, is being sponsored by the State Department of Conservation and Development. The public is invited to attend.

Industrial development in North Carolina in the past 28 years, 1923-1951, has made rapid and steady progress," Kelly says. "In 1923, the State had 2,670 manufacturing establishments. In 1951, 28 years later, there were 8,272 active plants, representing an increase of 210 percent."

And during this 28-year period, Kelly continues, the 187,336 workers employed in 1923 had grown to 425,000 by the end of 1951. The percentage increase in the number of industrial workers was 127 percent.

Even more remarkable from an economic standpoint is the amount of money paid industrial workers in the state. In 1923, industrial

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## PRESBYTERIAN CIRCLE MEETS TUESDAY MORNING

The November meeting of Circle 1 of the Presbyterian church was held Tuesday morning, Nov. 4, at the home of Mrs. S. M. Bittinger. Mrs. W. D. Wright, circle chairman, presided during the meeting. Mrs. Jones Earl Corwin, presented a most interesting enlightening program on "Are you laying hold on Christ as your power for New Life?"

A coffee hour was enjoyed following the meeting. Those attending were: Mrs. Harry Barkley, Mrs. W. A. Harper, Mrs. Ray Harrison, Mrs. Anne Sharp Harrison, Miss Mary Hooker, Miss Sarah Kirby, Mrs. G. L. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Clifford Porter, Mrs. Susan Hooker, Miss Bell O'Neal, Mrs. L. B. Poole and Miss Mary Lee Johnston. Mrs. Thomas S. Sharp was a visitor at the meeting.

payrolls totaled \$127,537,821; in 1951 they had grown to the astonishing total of \$2,038,000,000, according to the Blue Book of Southern Progress for 1952. The payroll increase over the 28-year span was 1498 percent.

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