



WORLD SALUTES FAMED TERRACES IN SOUTH—The 200th anniversary of the world-renowned terraces at Middleton Gardens in Charleston, S. C., is drawing international attention this year. The vast project—pictured here for the first time in an exclusive aerial view—was undertaken in 1741 under the supervision of Henry Middleton, President of the Continental Congress. His crew of 100 completed the Herculean task in 1750. The other famous gardens in Charleston are also preparing for their busiest season—Magnolia and Cypress Gardens, as well as Middleton, being open from Thanksgiving to May. Last year, Magnolia Gardens registered visitors from 26 foreign countries as well as from every state in the Union and from Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

State In Third Worst Polio Year

Chapel Hill — This year has been the third worst polio year for North Carolina in the State's history, Mrs. Phillips Russell, Director of Organization for the March of Dimes, said here today in announcing a series of pre-March of Dimes meetings throughout the State.

"I don't believe it is realized by the general public," she said "that through November of this year North Carolina had 717 new cases of polio, and that the terrible epidemic year of 1944 (Miracle of Hickory) had only 861 for the entire year. The next worst epidemic came in 1948." The 717 cases for this year are listed with the State Health Department.

The pre-March of Dimes meetings scheduled for next week are:

Cherokee at noon Monday, December 4; Asheville that night; Lenoir at noon Tuesday, December 5; Charlotte that night; Southern Pines at noon Wednesday, December 6; Greensboro that night; Durham at noon Thursday, December 7; Clinton that night; and Greenville at noon, Friday, December 8, and Elizabeth City that night.

Attending these meetings will be representatives from the county chapters and the surrounding territory. Campaign organization and plans for the 1951 March of Dimes will be mapped.

Mrs. Russell said that "to meet the onslaught of infantile paralysis our county chapters have once again had to call on the National Foundation in New York for help. This year more than \$200,000 has been advanced, but despite this the chapters have not been able to meet all their medical and hospital bills.

We are waiting now for funds from the 1951 March of Dimes to meet these bills," she said. "We all must broaden our horizon in the all-out fight against polio," Mrs. Russell declared. "We must look beyond the borders of our own individual counties, beyond the borders of North Carolina, and look upon it as a nation-wide effort. In our need the people of other states have come in and helped us. Every dollar, every dime we've spent over and above the 100 percent we've raised in years past in the annual March of Dimes has been contributed by people in other states.

"North Carolina, in spite of the excellent fund-raising campaigns since 1945, continues to operate at a deficit of a million and a quarter dollars." The one hope to win out against polio, Mrs. Russell said, "lies in the field of research. Millions of the people's money has gone into this research work, but so far North Carolina has not been able to contribute one dime to this all important effort."

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Rambling Sketches Of Oak Grove News
By Mrs. William Wright

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Davis of Shelby were recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Garmon Davis and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Stokes Wright and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Leland McGill of Wallace, N. C., were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Spake of Shelby.
Miss Bettie Jean Champion was the Sunday guest of Miss Joan Ford.
Mr. Billy Watterson had as his Sunday guest Mr. Bobby Ford.
Misses Carolyn and Nancy Bell, Miss Juanita Lovelace and Mrs. Ann McSwain spent the weekend in Shelby with Mrs. Cynthia Lovelace and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bell and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alex McMillan during the

weekend.
Mrs. Mayme Gibson and son, John, spent Sunday with Mrs. Gibson's father, Mr. Billie Hamrick of Mt. Sinai.
Mr. and Mrs. Stokes Wright and sons were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. I. A. McGill of the St. Luke community. Other visitors in the home were Mr. and Mrs. Leland McGill of Wallace, N. C., Mrs. Mildred Little of New Orleans, La., and Mrs. Pratt Herndon of Bethlehem and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McGill.
Mr. and Mrs. Willard Boyles of Kings Mountain were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bell.
Master Charles Wright was the Sunday night supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Plonk and Miss Rachel Plonk.
Mrs. Essie Wright spent Friday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Lovelace and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Watterson.

A near-record crop of small grains is being seeded in Cleveland County this fall, reports H. W. Dameron, assistant county farm agent.

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