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GETTING READY FOR THE SUMMER!—City residents that pass daily the farms in the county little realize the year round job of the farmers. Thrifty Smyth farmers are making ready the ground for the spring planting and the coming summer and fall harvest. The job of the farmer never stops with the harvest in the fall, carrying on into the winter for the repairing and the smaller jobs around the farm. Pictured above is Bill Terry of Marion, Rt. 3, breaking the ground for his spring planting.

## LIFE IN SMYTH COUNTY

### Smyth Fights Changes In School Fund

#### Countywide Protest Is in the Making

The proposed change in distribution of state school funds, with Smyth County standing to lose a large amount of money, has resulted in a countywide protest to the General Assembly. County School Superintendent J. Leonard Mauck started the fireworks Tuesday, Jan. 26, when he revealed that the proposed redistribution would result in a definite loss of \$78,000 per year to Smyth, with a probable loss of about \$92,000, based on anticipated school income for the next two years in the state.

The county board and the county school board held a joint special session last Saturday and passed a resolution calling for the stopping of this proposal in the General Assembly.

Monday night the Marion Pilot Club began an investigation of the matter. Tuesday night the Kiwanis Club again took up the problem, appointing a committee to study the program, seeking a resolution similar to the one passed by county officials.

Other clubs and organizations in the county likewise are expected to join the protest, it was learned this week. Legislators representing Smyth County have committed themselves as against the proposal.

Delegate Ray Rouse this week in Richmond told the Smyth County News by telephone that he definitely was against the proposal in view of the fact that it would hurt the smaller counties while helping cities and more wealthy counties.

Senator George Warren stated last Saturday that he was against passage of the recommendation. He spoke to members of the Bristol School Board, who joined with him in the protest.

Bristol stands to gain by the change, but board members voted to go along with Smyth and Washington Counties, taking the stand which Senator Warren did — that the passage

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### Three Go To Grand Jury On 12 Counts

Brown, Quillen and Norman Are Bound Over

Ives Norman, Ellery Quillen and Charles Brown last Saturday were bound over to the Smyth County Grand Jury on 12 counts of breaking and entering.

Quillen is held on six counts, and is in jail being unable to make the \$10,000 bond requested by Commonwealth's Attorney C. H. Funk. He is accused of breaking into the Smyth Farm Supply Co., the Marion Grammar School, Marion High School, Carnegie High School, Arnold and Conner Motor Co. and Lincoln Theatre.

Brown, also in jail because of failure to make \$10,000 bond, is accused of breaking into Smyth Farm Supply, Arnold and Conner and Marion High School.

Norman is out on bond. He is a first offender. He is charged with breaking into Marion Grammar School, Lincoln Theatre and Carnegie High School.

All three pled guilty to all charges.

Ted Hall, charged with being drunk in public, was fined \$10 and costs, and charges against him for an assault on Brown Buchanan with a whiskey bottle were continued to March 6.

William Earl Wyatt was fined \$10 and costs for using profane and abusive language. Herbert Widner paid a \$10 and costs fine and got 30 days suspended for an assault on Melvin Combs Jr.

Two youths, aged 14 and 15, pled guilty to stealing from the Marion Intermediate School. They were turned over to the Welfare Department.

Lewis Martin Metcalf, Falls Church, paid \$100 and costs and had his license suspended for a year for driving under the influence of an intoxicant or self administered drug.

Robert Hurly, who was in the car with Metcalf, was fined for \$10 and costs for public intoxication.

### Dr. Eller Is Named Head Of Chest Drive On Campaign



New president of the Marion Community Chest is Dr. J. J. Eller.

Vice-president and campaign director is Aubrey Matthews. They were chosen last Thursday at a special meeting to elect officers. Fred Graybeal was selected as the new treasurer to replace Mrs. Willis Sprinkle, whose term on the board expired in January. Mrs. Robert Lane Anderson remains secretary.

Besides the officers the board is now made up of Wilburn Steele, Miss Carolyn Sheffey, Sam Kirby, Jack Barret and Legarde Johnston.

Jennings was nominated by Senator George Warren of Bristol, a fighting war horse of the Democrats of the Ninth and state. He was formally seconded by Bob Garnett of Marion and Mrs. Anna Barron Morris, president of the Wise County Democratic Women's Club.

Howard C. Gilmer, former U. S. District Attorney of Pulaski, then led off with a long line of extemporaneous seconds by ardent supporters from throughout the district.

C. P. MacGill of Pulaski finally requested that Jennings be nominated by acclamation, with his formal nomination swiftly following.

Russell County was the only county to cast its vote individually. Pat Arrington of Washington County, a supporter of Jennings in his unsuccessful race for the nomination in 1952, had just moved the nomination be by acclamation when Ira M. Quillen, chairman of the Russell delegation, requested individual casting. Pat's mother, Mrs. L. J. Sample of Honaker, was then escorted to the rostrum and formally gave her son Russell's 65 votes.

His nomination followed immediately and the Smyth citizen was then escorted to the stage in the school auditorium to make his acceptance speech. Jennings pledged support of the Democratic Party and its principles. At this point he stated that he would "wage an active campaign" reaching into every precinct. He promised to face all issues squarely and stated emphatically that he would not be a representative for any small group.

"I will not be a party to any deal or deals which I feel are not for the best interest of the people of this district," he said. Jennings pointed out that the Democratic Party is made up of all types of citizens, making it a party which truly represents all the people of the nation.

Both morning and afternoon sessions were short, with the

### Republican Delegates Are Instructed For Wampler

### Wampler To Be Nominated By Ray Rouse

Republicans Will Gather in Bristol



Rouse

Smyth County for the second straight week end is expected to figure prominently at Ninth District political meetings in Bristol.

Smyth's delegate to the General Assembly, Ray Rouse, is expected to nominate Congressman Bill Wampler as the Republicans' choice for the congressional race next November.

Rouse probably will arrive in Marion Friday in order to get his ducks in a row for this job. The nomination of Wampler at the Republican meeting probably will be routine and similar in nature to the nomination of Pat Jennings, Smyth County sheriff, last Saturday by the Democrats.

Wampler successfully campaigned into office two years ago with a vigorous drive throughout the Ninth, defeating State Senator Mel Long of Wise County, the choice of the Democrats. Since then he has been quite active in Washington.

The meeting will get underway Friday night with a Lincoln Day Dinner at Hotel General Shelby. California's 25th District Congressman Patrick J. Hillings, formerly the youngest member of Congress, was seated for this title by 27 year old Wampler, will be principal speaker at this dinner.

A number of Smyth Republicans are expected to attend this \$10 per plate dinner. Hillings is quite close to national headquarters of the Republican Party. During the 1952 presidential campaign he traveled more than 45,000 miles serving on the campaign staff of Vice President Richard Nixon, a personal friend. His appearance in Bristol indicates that the national party has its eyes on the Ninth and will assist in an attempt to keep it in the Republican fold.

John W. Gillespie, Tazewell attorney, will keynote the nominating convention. Governor Hugh Gregg of New Hampshire will speak during the Saturday afternoon session.

entire assemblage having a common goal of nominating Jennings as the Democratic nominee.

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Smyth's County's delegates will go to the Ninth District Republican Convention in Bristol this Saturday with instructions to cast their votes for the renomination of William C. Wampler for representative of the district in Congress.

The delegates were named at a county mass meeting last Saturday at the Smyth County courthouse. The group was enthusiastic in endorsing the young congressman for renomination and many expressed their determination to get out a big vote to send Wampler back to Congress.

Mrs. Henry C. Durrschmidt was elected temporary chairman. Lloyd E. Currin was named temporary secretary. Ralph Lincoln was re-elected chairman and Miss Ruth Allen re-elected secretary of the Smyth Republicans.

The group also voted to recommend a resolution commending the service to the country and to the part of the late Senator Robert Taft.

The present county committee, with Moore filling the El-lendale vacancy, was named to serve for the coming year.

Delegates and alternates, with one delegate for every 50 votes cast for Wampler in 1952, were named as follows: Blue Springs — Ed James, Maynard Parks; alternates, S. P. Bennington, Joe Parks.

Williams — Vernon Slemp, Grover Shupe, C. M. Roberts, Joe Ashlin; alternates, Lydia Johnson, Walter Calhoun, R. C. Slemp, Virginia Currin.

Holston Mills — C. B. Rouse Jr., Carl Parsons, J. L. Sturgill, Roby Richardson; alternates, I. M. Sturgill, C. B. Rouse, Marvin Hubble, Victor Hart.

St. Clair — E. D. Duncan, George Hopkins, Howard McClure, George W. Duncan; alternates, Martin Hart, L. S. Blankenbecker, Ruth Cassell, Vance Denny.

Douglas — W. M. Pennington; alternate, W. L. Trivette Jr. Groseclose — Charles W. Repass, M. E. Repass; alternates, Ralph Dutton, R. B. Foglesong.

Atkins — David F. Bear, G. H. Wheeler, E. V. Hutton; alternates, W. J. Mercer, R. P. Williams, Charlie Hash.

North Marion — B. L. Anderson, D. P. Barker, Fred Graybeal, Wade Woods, G. P. Anderson, Q. A. Calhoun, Mrs. R. M. Campbell, Mrs. Richard Campbell, L. H. McMillan, J. J. Barret, R. H. Harrington, Ralph L. Lincoln, C. H. Funk; alternates, W. L. Lemmon, Dewey Blevins, French Barker, Everette Box, Ed Anderson, W. J. Odham, G. T. Blevins, Mrs. R. H. Harrington, A. H. Goodman, Prince Aker, Horace Myers, Bryson Dye, Mrs. Bryson Dye.

South Marion — Mary Rouse, H. G. Boyer, W. G. Haulsee, C. M. Parks, Lloyd E. Currin, R. R. Repass, Dr. David L. Francis, Ralph Wassum, H. C. Durrschmidt, Mrs. H. C. Durrschmidt, Ruby Allen, H. P. Greenwood, Ray Rouse, Prince Hutton, Howard W. Rash, Alternates, Goy Reeves, Walter Francis, Ott Hutton, John McGhee, Grover Haulsee, Horton Parks, M. H. Hutton, A. H. Haulsee, J. G. Slemp, H. S. Powell, Homer DeBord, Mrs. Frank Elliott, Russell Elledge, P. W. McGhee, Marvin Dean.

Seven Mile Ford — P. S. Rice, David Jackson, Elmer Gamble; alternates, Charlie

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### Ashes in Paper Box Sets House on Fire

A house next to Lincoln Builders on North Church Street in Marion caught fire when the occupant on the second floor placed hot ashes in a paper box Tuesday afternoon about 3:30 p. m.

The Marion Fire Department was called in time to save the house of any great damage. This fire marked the fourth in the past week.

The fire department was called to the city dump on two occasions to extinguish grass fires. Tuesday another grass fire was raging in the Culbert Addition in Marion which the fire crew quickly extinguished.



Mr. Republican



Mr. Democrat

**TAKE YOUR PICK**—Fighting Ninth District politicians apparently have cast their lot with vigorous young men in the Congressional race next November. Republicans are banking on Congressman Bill Wampler, who is expected to be nominated this Saturday at a convention in Bristol. Wampler is the youngest Congressman in Washington. Democrats last Saturday put their votes behind Sheriff Pat Jennings of Smyth County, another young man. Deponents this week were jockeying for odds before making any predictions, the big prediction being that "they both will know that they have been in a fight before election day."

### COMING EVENTS

- (All events not conducted for private gain. Columns closes noon Wednesday.)  
(Mail postcard or dial Marion 3-8001)
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4**  
WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD of First Methodist Church meets with Mrs. C. Donnelly, 7:30 p. m.  
MARGIE SHIMMATE CIRCLE, Marion Baptist Church, will meet at 7:30 p. m. with Mrs. Ruth Comer, Mrs. George Eblen co-hostess.  
LOTTIE MOON CIRCLE, Marion Baptist Church, will meet at 7:30 p. m. with Mrs. Neal Blankenbecker.  
CIRCLE NO. 4, Royal Oak Presbyterian Church, will meet at 8 p. m. with Mrs. Denton Hull.  
CIRCLE NO. 5, Royal Oak Presbyterian Church, will meet at 8 p. m. with Misses Carolyn and Mary Preston Sheffey.  
CIRCLE NO. 6, Royal Oak Presbyterian Church, will meet at 8 p. m. with Mrs. James FitzGerald.
  - FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5**  
ANNUAL BIRTHDAY DINNER-DANCE of the Marion Junior Woman's Club will be held at the Holston Hills Country Club, 7 p. m.
  - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6**  
GREENWOOD-MT. ZION HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB meets at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. Thomas R. Wassum. Demonstration: "Jiffy Meals."
  - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7**  
BAND BOOSTERS CLUB of Chilhowie, regular meeting, 7:30 p. m. in the band room.  
MAIN STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH of Saltville will hold a singing at 7:30 p. m. and the public is invited to attend.  
W.M.S. of Marion Baptist Church will meet at the church at 2:30 p. m. Board meeting at 2 p. m.  
SMYTH COUNTY BRANCH, AAUV, will meet at 7:30 p. m. at Marion College.
  - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9**  
RIVERSIDE 4-H CLUB meets at 1:30 p. m. at the Riverside school.
  - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10**  
SUMMIT HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB meets at 1:30 p. m. with Mrs. Greek Horne. Demonstration: "Jiffy Meals" by project leaders.  
L.H.A. HOLMES CARTER CIRCLE, Marion Baptist Church, will meet at 7:30 p. m. with Miss Margaret Stroupe at the Alex Hutchins home.
  - THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11**  
WOMEN OF ROYAL OAK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH will meet at 8 p. m. at the church. Board meeting at 7:30 p. m.  
MARION CHAPTER NO. 72, OES Masonic Temple, 6:30 p. m. Birthday dinner, pot luck.
  - FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12**  
SEVEN MILE FORD HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB meets at 1:30 p. m. with Mrs. Wm. Moore. Demonstration: "Jiffy Meals" by project leaders.
  - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13**  
MARION 4-H CLUB meets at 2 p. m. with Eleanor Cummings.
  - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14**  
CHILHOWIE PTA, regular meeting, 7:30 p. m. at the school. Dr. David Graybeal of Emory and Henry College to speak.

### Community Center Reopens For Full Time Program

The Marion Community Center re-opened Monday to begin a full time recreational program with many new activities added to the past program. The center will be open Monday through Friday in the afternoons and will open Thursday night at 7 p. m. until 9 p. m. Friday night the center will be open from 7:30 p. m. until 10:30 p. m. Saturday night hours will be from 7:30 until 11 o'clock. The first meeting of the Model Building Club was held Tuesday afternoon. There are 13 members in the club. Little League Basketball was also organized Tuesday. Practice sessions are held at the new gym each Tuesday and Friday. Charles Franzen and Jack Musten work with the some 45 youngsters who are out for this sport. Games are played between the eight teams each Saturday morning. The boxing program that was carried on with such great interest will be continued again this season. Musten stated, The boxing will begin around the last of February. It is hoped that the civic clubs will help outfit boys to have matches between out town and other teams in this section. Musten added, The first part of the boxing course will be to teach the boys self defense and the fundamentals of the sport. "Any help or advise from the citizens of the community are welcomed," Mr. Musten stated. "We hope that the center will serve each section of the town during the coming season."

Mrs. Jessie Blankenbecker, Miss Minnie Rouse, Mrs. James R. Tilson and Mrs. Susie Gollehon of Riverside were dinner guests of Miss Nell Preston Jan. 24.

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**Announcements (2)**

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**Jobs Wanted (8)**

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**Notices (11)**

I will not be responsible for any debts made other than by myself. Mrs. Sirah Oakley Everhart, Saltville. 2-4-5t

**NOTICE** is hereby given that I will appear before the Town Council of Marion on Feb. 19, 1954, to apply for license to operate a taxicab in Marion Lee Salmons. 2-4-2tp

**Cards of Thanks (12)**

With deepest gratitude we extend this word of thanks for the many acts of sympathy, expressed by thoughtful friends. These kindnesses have meant much. The family of Mrs. William Rowland.

To our many friends and neighbors we wish to express our sincere thanks for their deeds of kindness and sympathy shown us throughout the illness and death of our beloved sister, Sue Blanche Fox; also for the beautiful floral offerings. The Fox Family. 2-4-1p

**Special Notices (14)**

**"PUBLIC NOTICE"**  
Notice is hereby given that the State Water Control Board has received application from Mr. H. I. Weiner, The Virtenco Corporation, Enterprise Mining Division, Box 206, Chilhowie, Virginia, to discharge treated industrial waste waters from a manganese ore washing plant on Grosses Creek near Chilhowie. Persons wishing information concerning this proposition should write to: State Water Control Board 415 West Franklin Street Richmond 20, Virginia 1-11-4t

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against  
R. Green Annan 507 Oliver Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Defendant.

At Law  
The object of this suit is to obtain a judgment against you for the sum of \$3,590.65, with interest thereon from the due date of each installment thereof until paid, together with the costs incident to this proceeding all of which is justly due by virtue of a certain contract in writing dated October 1, 1952.

And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant R. Green Annan is not resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear within ten days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Smyth County News, a newspaper published in the County of Smyth, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this County within ten days after entry of this order.

A copy—Teste:  
Lloyd E. Currin, Clerk.  
Francis M. Hoge p. q.  
Marion, Virginia. 1-21-4t

**VIRGINIA** — In the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County of Smyth, on the 2 day of February 1954. Ollie Robinson Chamberlain Complainant

against  
George L. Chamberlain Defendant  
General Delivery Indianapolis, Indiana  
IN CHANCERY

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii on the grounds of desertion. And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant George L. Chamberlain is not resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear within ten days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Smyth County News, a newspaper published in the County of Smyth, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this county within ten days after entry of this order.

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**Obituaries**

**Mrs. William Rowland**  
Mrs. Sarah Etta Rash Rowland, 82, died Saturday morning at her home near Chilhowie.

She was born Dec. 6, 1871. July 30, 1892, she was married to William Rowland who preceded her in death by about 11 1/2 months. Five children also preceded her in death.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Frank Elliott, Mrs. Neal Cox, both of Marion; two sons, Quincy Rowland, Luther Rowland, both of Marion; one sister, Mrs. Arthur McCoy, Chilhowie; 28 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Funeral service was held at 1:30 p. m. Monday at the home. Burial was in the McClure Cemetery.

**Meldille B. Parks**  
Meldille B. Parks, 81, of Sugar Grove, died in a Marion hospital Wednesday.

He is survived by his wife, the former Elizabeth Wassum; three sons, Henry Parks, Baltimore; Albert Parks, Radford; Curtis Parks, Memphis, Tenn.; two daughters, Mrs. Dewey Hutchins, Miss Blanch Parks, both of Marion; two stepsons, Roy Aker, Radford; Robert E. Aker, Sugar Grove; two stepdaughters, Mrs. L. H. Hickok, Keystone, W. Va.; Mrs. H. C. Smith, Salem, Indiana; and one brother, C. M. Parks, Marion.

Funeral service will be held at the Wharf Hill Methodist Church at 2 p. m. Friday. Burial will be in the Slemph Cemetery.

The body will remain at Barnett Funeral Chapel until Thursday afternoon.

**Charles S. Dority**  
Charles S. Dority, 70, retired Norfolk and Western railroad employee, died in a Marion hospital Wednesday morning.

Surviving are his wife; five sons, Walter, Portsmouth; Douglas and Fred, both of Roanoke; John and Howard, both of Marion; three daughters, Mrs. Fred Goodman, Norfolk; Mrs. Harry Knight, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Miss Sherian Dority, Marion; three sisters, Mrs. Luke Eller, Atkins; Mrs. Ruth Sawyers, Bristol; Mrs. John Suttentfield, Roanoke.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Seaver Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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**Bradley H. Flannagan**

Bradley Holden Flannagan, 65, of Atkins, died at the Marion General Hospital in Marion Saturday evening.

Mr. Flannagan was an employee of the Norfolk and Western Railway for the past 20 years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Beatrice Odell Flannagan, Atkins; one daughter, Mrs. Frances F. Boyles, Richmond, and one grandson.

Funeral service was held Monday at 2 p. m. at the Barnett Funeral Chapel. The Rev. Earl Blankenship, the Rev. George Musser and the Rev. Howard Little officiated. Burial was in the Roselawn Cemetery.

Palbearers were Roy Hall, Baine Anderson, Walter Jackson, Lawrence Atkins, Edd Neal and Ben Cruif.

**J. H. Newberry**

Jesse H. Newberry, 82, of Marion, died in a local hospital last Wednesday.

He is survived by two sons, J. H. Newberry Jr., Paul Newberry, both of Washington, D. C.; and one daughter, Mrs. Mary Granberry, Vienna.

Funeral service was held Saturday at 10 a. m. at Burns Chapel, Mechanicsburg. Burial was in the church cemetery.

**Farmer of Rural Retreat Is Second In this District**

Gordon Lindamood of Rural Retreat was runner-up for the outstanding young farmer award of Southwest Virginia. It was announced last Friday night at a banquet held at Lincoln Hotel in Marion.

Harold L. Choate of Galax was winner, taking first place in the 19 county district covering Southwest Virginia.

Lindamood is a member of the Rural Retreat Young Farmers Association. The club furnish young farmers between the ages of 18 and 40, who make farming a profession, with out-of-school training. This keeps the farmers up to date on all new methods of farming.

The club awards are sponsored by the Young Farmers Executive Committee for the Southwest.

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sored by the Virginia Chain Store Council. The organization was founded over four years ago under the auspices of the vocational agricultural services of the State Department of Education.

Recognition of Choate as the outstanding young farmer in the Southwest area was the final in a series of five similar meetings held in districts throughout the state. The district winners will compete for the All-State outstanding young farmer trophy.

# CHILHOWIE SECTION

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Chilhowie, Feb. 1 — Mrs. Marvin Sanders left Monday going to Orlando, Fla., where she will spend several weeks. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Charles McConnell, of Abingdon.

Mrs. Margaret Thomas and O. V. Sturgill attended the Democratic Convention in Bristol Saturday, as delegates from here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bonham and Miss Cordie Copenhaver returned home Saturday after spending two weeks in Hot Springs, Ark.

George Rogers of Newport News, spent the week end before last with his family.

Dr. and Mrs. W. N. Greever and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Love Bonham are in Fayetteville, W. Va., due to the death of Mrs. Greever's and Mrs. Bonham's father, W. E. Stull, there early Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. George Maust were called to High Point, N. C., Saturday due to the illness

of her mother, Mrs. Arthur Bulla.

Mr. and Mrs. Booker Walton and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Walton were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Walton in Trout Dale.

Miss Mary Payne Copenhaver and Miss Mabel Smith were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bass in Richmond.

Mrs. W. H. Copenhaver Sr., who had been in Richmond for the past two weeks, accompanied them home Sunday.

Mrs. W. T. Smith is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Carr, and Mr. Carr in Johnson City. She is taking treatments at the McKee Hospital in Johnson City.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greever have returned home after visiting in Atlanta, Ga., and Montgomery, Ala.

Mrs. Q. A. Eller and Mrs. Dan Sanders were notified of the death of their brother, Stephen Sanders, in Pennsylvania Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Love and children of Pulaski spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Bonham.

Mrs. Ray Merchant, accompanied by Mrs. C. R. Pugh and Charles Pugh, Jr. of Marion, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Bartley in Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mabe and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Harry Mabe in Max Meadows.

Ernest Eads of Narrows is spending several days here to be with his mother, Mrs. W. T. Eads, who remains a patient in the Abingdon hospital. Mrs. E. B. Groseclose and daughter, Edye, of Pearisburg spent Sunday with her.

Martha Jo Copenhaver is confined to her home with the mumps.

Mrs. Jack Sherwood and Mrs. Hilton Rector were guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. George Kelly and daughters in Johnson City, Tenn.

## Dr. Graybeal Will Speak at PTA Meet

Dr. David Graybeal of Emory and Henry College will be guest speaker at the meeting of the Chilhowie PTA Monday, Feb. 15, at 7:30 at the school.

He will use as his topic "The Type of Instruction We Should Like in our Public Schools."

All patrons are invited by Mrs. Bradley Duncan, president of the PTA, to attend and hear this timely subject discussed.

## Chilhowie Band To Present Concert

The annual spring concert of the Chilhowie band will be presented in the school auditorium Thursday, Feb. 11, at 8 o'clock.

Proceeds from the concert will be used to pay band expenses to the district music festival in March. Admission will be 50 and 25 cents. Luroy Krumwiede is director.

## T-SGT. PENDLETON RETURNS FROM KOREA

T-Sgt. Robert Pendleton arrived in Chilhowie Saturday to spend a furlough with his wife and three sons.

He has been on duty for the past 19 months in the Philippine Islands and in Korea. He will report to Gary Air Force Base in San Marcus, Texas, March 9, accompanied by his family who plans to make their home there.

## GRANGE LEADERSHIP TRAINING HELD AT VPI IN BLACKSBURG

Mrs. Z. M. K. Fulton Jr., Atkins; Mrs. J. B. Cox and Mrs. Mammy Cox, Cox's Chapel in Grayson County, are among those attending a leadership training group at VPI in Blacksburg this week.

This is the first approach on the part of the college and extension staff toward improving the leadership throughout rural Virginia. It is planned to expand the participation to other interested organizations in coming years.

## Dr. Reazor To Open Offices In Chilhowie

Dr. Ron Reazor of Independence will open dental offices in the Greever Clinic in Chilhowie March 15 to become the first dentist in Chilhowie in many years.

Dr. Reazor has been assistant to a dentist at Independence since being graduated from Medical College in 1953. He is married to the former Margaret Jones, of Big Stone Gap. They will make their home in the B. B. Hash house in the Cox addition in Chilhowie.

## Park Light Fund At Chilhowie Is Up to \$5,100

A total of \$5,100 of the \$12,000 proposed sum has been subscribed to light the Chilhowie Ball Park.

The report was made at a meeting of the Chilhowie Athletic Association last Wednesday night at the Chilhowie Town Hall.

The association is made up of committees of the local civic clubs, with W. C. Kelly, chairman, and R. L. Fisher co-chairman.

## JUNIOR CLASS TO GIVE PLAY TONIGHT AT CHILHOWIE

A three-act comedy, directed by Mrs. Judy Brown, will be given by the Junior Class at Chilhowie High School this Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

The play, entitled "The Happier We'll Be," takes place on a Saturday afternoon, evening and Sunday morning and casts Billy Rhudy as Henry Thatcher, Betty June Spurgeon as Mrs. Thatcher, Anita Barr as Judy Thatcher, Betty Jo Bowman as Anna; Patricia Duncan as Vivien, Pattie Dunn as Babs Bailie, Phyllis Wheelless as Zeldia Reece, Edwin McClure as Jack Harmon, Benny Sanders as Leslie Hall and C. W. Frye as Mr. Dexter.

## SCHOOL

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would hurt this section as a whole.

Following is the resolution passed last Saturday by the Smyth County School Board and Smyth County Board of Supervisors at the special meeting:

"Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of Smyth County, the local governing body of said county, together with the School Board of said county, believe that we express the unanimous opinion of the citizens of Smyth County in opposing the proposed distribution of school money on the basis of the new proposed formula, in which counties such as Smyth with large pupil population and small wealth per child are penalized, and in which Smyth County will lose approximately \$87,000.00. We are in favor of a state wide minimum salary scale but we believe it should be guaranteed by state funds distributed on an equalization basis.

"We feel that the new proposed method of distribution is unfair and inequitable and would strike a blow at education in Smyth County and throughout Southwest Virginia from which they would never recover.

"We further request our Representatives in the General Assembly of Virginia to oppose the passage of any such measure with every resource that they have. And the Clerk of this Board is requested to transmit a copy of this resolution to our duly elected representatives in Richmond."

## REPUBLICANS

(Continued From Page 1)  
Rouse, Mrs. S. F. Gollehon, Hubert Blessing.

Chilhowie — J. F. Blevins, M. L. Pierce, J. T. Bishop, W. J. Shelton, A. A. Blevins, William Beattie, J. C. Blankenbeckler, J. S. Walker; alternates, Ann Beattie, Mrs. M. L. Pierce, Mrs. Georgia Crutchfield, Mrs. John Dillard, Joe L. Bonham, Mrs. J. S. Walker, C. L. Sparks.

Olympia — C. B. Atwell; alternate, J. C. Hancock. Chatham Hill — V. H. Neel; alternate, George F. Cook. Ellendale — Fred Carter; alternate C. D. Stephenson.

Broadford — C. P. Brickey, Mrs. C. T. DeBusk, J. M. Pratt, Jr., Helen Callihan; alternates, C. T. DeBusk, G. L. Callihan, J. W. Holloway, John Breedlove.

Saltville — H. D. Henderson, Harry E. Catron, K. O. Totten.

C. O. DeBusk, Kelly Catron, R. B. Worthy, William J. Totten, Dorothy H. Gillenwater, Lula A. Buskill, Alternates, Howard R. Sauls, Harry S. Dunham, Mary Walker, Walter Gillenwater, C. S. Allison, James F. Allison, Harry L. Austin, Willis Allison, Charles W. Barrow.

## Mrs. Groseclose Is Hostess to Mt. Carmel HD Club

The Mt. Carmel Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday of this week with Mrs. Roy Groseclose.

The meeting was opened with the homemaker's creed. The devotions were taken from the 36th Psalm. They were given by Mrs. Cloyd Kent, with a poem by Edgar Guest.

During the business session reports from the different committees were given. Also discussed was a special meeting to be held in Abingdon Feb. 11.

Two guests and one new member were welcomed to the club by the president.

The demonstration "Jiffy Meals" was given by club project leader, Mrs. G. D. Groseclose, Mrs. V. S. Riddle, Mrs. R. G. Scott.

A complete meal in 15 minutes was demonstrated and served as refreshments to the members present.

The March meeting will be held with Mrs. W. G. Kiser. Mrs. Scott will be cohostess and the demonstration will be on "Growing Flowers."

## GA GROUP OF FALLING WATER CHURCH MEETS

The Girls Auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Falling Water Baptist Church met last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Paul Fowler.

There were nine members and the two counselors present.

One new member, Rosetta Hagar, was welcomed. After the devotional given by Bonnie Grinstead and Mrs. Fowler, the president, Josephine Garza, was in charge of the business session.

At this time the committee members for the year's work were appointed. The girls spent the remainder of the hour in Bible study. Mrs. Fowler served refreshments, assisted by the GA social committee. The pastor of the church was a visitor during a part of the evening.

The next meeting will be held Feb. 9 at the home of Bonnie Grinstead.

The "Happy Band" prayer service group will meet Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neal.

## \$264.26 NETTED AT SUGAR GROVE SUPPER FOR DIMES MARCH

A total of \$264.26 was netted for polio prevention at a supper held Saturday night in the Sugar Grove High School cafeteria.

Mrs. Joe Ashlin, chairman for the March of Dimes for Rye Valley, stated that other contributions to date amount to \$195.64, with several other organizations, businesses and coin collection cards yet to be reported.

To date the amount collected is \$459.90. A full report is expected by next week.

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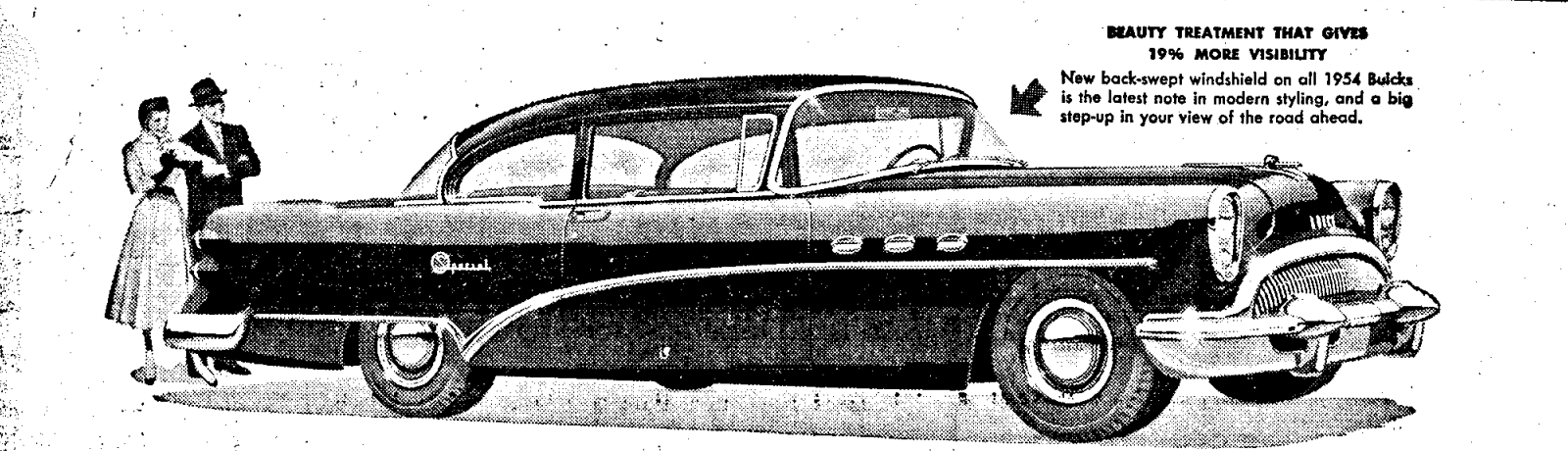
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Saltville, Feb. 1 — Bill McCready, Plasterco and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smith and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Edd DeBord last week end.

Miss Betty Ruff is spending a vacation with Mr. and Mrs. James Smith and family of Roanoke.

Miss Nellie Melton, who makes her home with her sister, Mrs. W. R. Roberts, and Mr. Roberts is ill.

Mrs. Betty Shortt has been a recent patient at the McKee Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Canter and children are spending a vacation with Mrs. P. C. Canter and other relatives.

Boyd Morgan, Mickey Taylor and John W. York of VPI were weekend guests in their respective homes.

Emory Wertz of Roanoke is spending a vacation with his wife and children at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd French.

Miss Leche York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph York, who has been a student at Emory Nursing School has been transferred to Johnston Memorial Hospital, Abingdon, to finish her training.

Miss Virginia Roberts is now

a patient at the McKee hospital, having been transferred from the Crippled Children's Hospital, Roanoke, where she underwent surgery.

Mrs. Eugene Doyle of Glade Spring spent Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Parks.

Cpl. David Schwartz of the air force, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Schwartz and husband of the former Miss Billie Sanders, has returned home from Korea. He will spend a 30 day leave with his relatives, after which he and Mrs. Schwartz will go to Missouri.

Wayne Barker and Don Goodman spent Sunday in Roanoke.

Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude A. Smith were Mr. and Mrs. Emory Smith of Glade Spring.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude A. Smith were Mrs. Alice Clark and family of Marion.

**Thieves Enter Hayden Esso Station Saturday**

The Hayden Esso Station in Saltville was broken into late Saturday night, and \$70 was taken from the safe.

Town officers C. W. Holmes and Charles Norris are investigating the break-in. The estimated time was set between 1 a. m. and 2 a. m. Cigarettes were also taken by the thief.

The person entering broke in through a window in the garage and broke open the safe where the money was kept.

**RICH VALLEY BULLS TO FACE RADFORD RAIDERS SATURDAY**

The Rich Valley Bulls will face the Radford Raiders in the Rich Valley school gym Saturday night at 8 p. m.

The Bulls have a 9-1 record for this season, losing only to the JV of Concord College. The Bulls have never lost a game on the home court in the past two years.

Fred Harrison and Mark Dunham will be back with the Bulls after the first season past. Dunham is coach at Rich Valley High School and Harrison is coach at New Castle High School.

The Buchanan twins have been broken up for this game with Richard playing for the Emory Freshmen. Stanley Webb is the newest addition to the Bulls to help fill out the bill.

**Three Saltville Youths Arrested On Theft Charges**

Three youths were arrested Sunday in Saltville on charges of breaking into the Mathieson General Stores, Allison Gap branch, and taking cigarettes and chewing gum.

The arrests were made by Police Chief J. W. Lambert and town officer Charles Norris.

The youths were placed in the custody of their parents pending the hearing to be held in Trial Justice Court Monday.

It was alleged the three youths had been breaking into the rear window of the store and taking cigarettes and selling them. The officers had arrested the boys before the manager of the store knew of the break-ins. Charles Norris stated that the boys had been breaking into the store for the past two or three weeks.

**Seven Children And Parents Are Guests Of Saltville Club**

Seven children and their parents were guests of the Saltville Kiwanis Club at the regular meeting last Thursday night.

The children from the Saltville Orthopedic Clinic attending the meeting were Peggy Clapp and mother, Mrs. Raymond Clapp; Elizabeth Cuddy and mother, Mrs. Claude Cuddy; Betty Jo Orr and mother, Mrs. Arthur Orr, and Sandra Wassum and mother, Mrs. Lynn Wassum. Others attending were Carolyn Sue Smith and mother, Mrs. Kefton Smith; Glenford Griffen and father, Duncan Griffen, and Dorothy Hayden and grandmother, Mrs. J. E. Pruitt.

Mrs. Lillian L. Campbell of the clinic was also present for the meeting.

Dr. C. C. Hatfield, program chairman, praised the work of Mrs. Campbell and Katherine Wheeler for the work in the clinic. Without their efforts many crippled children would be in hospitals today, Dr. Hatfield stated.

**Dr. Fred Allison Will Speak At Kiwanis Meeting**

Dr. Fred Allison, Emory and Henry College, who has won world fame as an atomic energy expert, will be guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Saltville Kiwanis Club Thursday night.

A. P. Levicki, president of the Saltville club, extended an invitation to the public to attend this part of the meeting.

Dr. Allison will begin his speech at 7 p. m. at the Saltville High School auditorium.

**TRAILER TRUCK TURNS OVER, RESULTS IN BIG TRAFFIC JAM**

A tractor and trailer leaving Saltville Friday at 2:30 p. m. caused a long term traffic jam when the truck battery went dead.

The trailer was traveling west on Smoky Row and the dead battery stopped the truck. A tractor and trailer entering Saltville pulled close to the edge of the road to go around the stalled vehicle when the road gave way and the trailer turned over. The second vehicle was owned by Abingdon Grocery Company of Abingdon.

Traffic on this road was blocked for about five hours, according to town officer Charles Norris.

When all other wreckers failed, the crane of Mathieson Chemical Company was called to move the overturned vehicle.

Police Chief J. W. Lambert, Officers C. W. Holmes and Charles Norris investigated the accident. The two vehicles were not damaged.

**RICH VALLEY CANNERY COMPLETES SEASON**

The Rich Valley cannery ended its season Jan. 31 after serving 400 people during the canning season, according to J. T. Gardner.

The canning season began July 1, 1953, and during the year 16,823 quarts of food were processed. There were 6,667 pounds of lard rendered at the cannery.

"We would like to express the appreciation of the co-operation of those who used the cannery during the past season," Mr. Gardner said.

The cannery was operated by Mary Evelyn Whitley and Silas Clark under the joint supervision of the vocational agriculture and the home economics departments of the Rich Valley school.

**Rich Valley Farmers Club to Meet Friday**

The Rich Valley Farmers Club will meet at the Rich Valley High School Friday night at 6:30 o'clock.

The meal will be served by the Women of the Rich Valley community for the support of the March of Dimes.

The program is in charge of the underprivileged children's committee, with J. G. Clear as chairman. He is expected to have representatives of the Saltville Kiwanis Club, the Saltville-Rich Valley Lions Club and the Rich Valley Farmers Club to tell of their activities on this work, J. T. Gardner, secretary, stated. This will also be a membership drive meeting and each member is asked to bring a prospective member, Mr. Gardner said.

J. Leonard Mauck will be the speaker, according to Mr. Gardner. He will speak on the distribution of money to school divisions.

**GAS PUMPS HIT BY SKIDDING VEHICLE**

A 1949 Mercury operated by Robert Richardson, Abingdon, skidded into the gas pumps at the US Gypsum Store in Plasterco Friday night about 11 p. m.

The vehicle was traveling west on Route 91, left the road at the Gypsum Store and skidded about 130 feet into the pumps, according to Saltville Officer Charles Norris. Damage to the station was estimated at \$1,000 and \$200 to the car.

Saltville officers C. W. Holmes and Charles Norris were investigating officers.

**MRS. WOODROW POE IS HOSTESS TO CLUB**

Mrs. Woodrow Poe was hostess to her Tuesday Evening bridge club this week.

Mrs. Eleanor Ewald won the high score prize. Other prizes were won by Mrs. Charles Robinson and Mrs. Stuart Stephenson.

**Farm Ideas**

By Roy A. Bennington  
Veterans' Instructor  
Sugar Grove

At this time of year, members of our veterans' class, as well as any other good farmer, are planning their crop needs. Many are planning their fertilizer purchases for the spring crops. One of the questions most frequently asked at this time of year is "What fertilizer will I need for my corn, oats or other crops to be produced?"

Frankly, I often do not know how to answer them in many instances. The simplest way to answer the question would be to use a standard recommendation such as 400 pounds of 3-12-6 or 400 pounds 4-16-8 along with an application of nitrogen. This type of answer is far from complete, and many other factors need to be taken into consideration. The plant food available in the amount of available plant food already in the soil plus the amount to be added to this crop.

Let's take up some problems to be considered —

What yield do you wish to obtain?

Some expect 40 bushels corn per acre, others expect 100 bushel, while still others expect more.

Crops, as well as animals, thrive best when the proper type and amount of plant food is available at all times.

We should no more expect to grow 80 bushels of corn on a 40 bushel plant food requirement than we would expect to grow 80 head of cattle on a food requirement of 40 head.

So we should first consider the yield we wish to obtain and make available sufficient plant food of the proper kind.

In what condition do we wish to leave our land when the present crop is harvested? Are we planning for this crop alone?

If we attempt to grow 80 bushels while only fertilizing for 40, either of two things is bound to happen. The extra 40 bushels must receive its plant food from the reserve already in the ground (provided there was a reserve) or the crop will stop developing when the supply is exhausted. This brings up another problem.

How much plant food is on reserve in the soil? How may we know how much available plant food is on reserve in the soil? Knowing the soil.

Preceding crops — amount of organic matter in soil from previous crops.

How long since a good legume crop was produced on the soil — that is, a legume on which a good inoculant was used.

Has all the grass that can be gotten from this particular piece of land been harvested? That is, has it been harvested for hay as long as possible then grazed until an animal can no longer exist?

The reserve of plant food may be determined through tests. That is the reserve of such plant food as calcium, magnesium, organic matter, phosphoric acid and potash.

How much of the various plant food elements will be required to produce the desired crop and at the same time, leave the soil with the reserve of plant food we wish to hold for the succeeding crops? This information may be obtained from some good book on agronomy — "The Agronomy Handbook" — or someone trained in management of soils such as a county agent or vocational agricultural teacher. This may be determined to some extent through experience after we have given consideration to the preceding questions which were:

(1) What yield do we wish to obtain from this particular crop?

(2) In what condition do we wish to leave the soil following the crop?

(3) How much available plant food do we now have on reserve?

(4) How much of the various plant food elements will be required to produce the desired crop?

I feel that we will be in a much better position to answer the main question — "What fertilizer should I purchase for the proposed crop?"

There is another question, however, that is very important — the financial side. Many of us have a limited amount of money to spend on our crops so this makes it even more important to spend it so as to get the greatest return from our investment.

Much of our soil will not give the best results from fertilizer because it has become too acid and much of the plant food is held in a form which is not available to plants. Since ancient times farmers have known that the adding of lime to the soil did something which made crops grow better. Even today some people believe lime to be a plant food. This, how-

ever, is not true — lime is a soil conditioner and not a plant food.

Since degrees of alkalinity or acidity of soil is measured in terms of pH we think of 7 as being neutral and any soil testing below 7 is acid and above 7 is considered alkaline. Most all our crops grow best in slightly acid soil, that is, soil testing from 5 to 7.

Potatoes, requiring a pH from 5 to 5.4, are one of our crops requiring a strongly acid soil. An example of the other extreme is alfalfa, requiring a pH range of 6.5 to 7.5.

Do you know the pH of the land you plan to crop this year? Recently we had sent from our county agent's office, 16 different soil samples for testing, and also we are sending eight more today. Of the 16 sent, only one showed the need for immediate liming. No. I didn't say that all samples had a pH of 7. Two of the samples showing 5.1 and 5.3 were from soil to go to Turkish tobacco, consequently needed no lime. If these two plots had been for alfalfa a heavy application of lime would have been required.

One of our veterans said he wished to establish a stand of alfalfa and knew that the first thing to do was to apply lime as no lime had been used on this particular plot for some time. I suggested that a soil sample be taken. The results were a test of 7.5. No lime needed. Now this man can use the money he was about to spend for needless lime to apply on fertilizer.

Why not take some of the guess out of soil management by having our crop lands tested. Just take a shovel, a bucket and some paper bags to the field to be tested. Push the shovel down into the ground plow depth, lay the dirt aside, then take the shovel and slice about one inch of earth from the side of the hole and place it in the bucket.

Take several samples from the field, mix the samples well in the bucket and place about one pint of the dirt in one of the bags and label. Take the samples to the county agent's office telling him what is now growing in the field and what you wish to grow. Within about ten days to two weeks you will receive a report showing the pH and the amount of calcium, magnesium, organic matter, phosphoric acid and potash in the soil. No charge is made for this service.

Do you use a good inoculant

with all legumes sown? Nitrogen is one of our most costly elements in commercial fertilizer. A good crop of legumes properly inoculated will leave approximately 100 pounds of nitrogen in the soil, or practically enough to produce 100 bushels corn per acre. Many farmers always inoculate some legume crops such as soybean or alfalfa but never think of inoculating red clover. Are you planning to inoculate your red clover seed this spring? Farm produced plant food is cheapest and that extra nitrogen stored in the soil should prove valuable to the crops following the inoculated legumes. Unless a legume is inoculated, it must receive its nitrogen from the soil as any other plant.

The first meeting of the Marion Model Airplane Club was held Tuesday at the Marion Recreation Center. The officers elected at this meeting were Billy Greenwood, president; Dwayne Little, vice president; Stanley Ockers, secretary; Walter Byrd, treasurer and Dick Litton, reporter. The advisor of the club is Jack Musten. The name chosen for this organization was the Marion Modelers. Members of the club are Herbert Wineberger, Jimmy Booth, Ronald Corn, Roy Snead, Sam Legard, Bobby Campbell, Benny Elkins and Bobby Morgan. The club meets each Monday at 3:30 p. m. at the community center at which time anyone wishing to join may attend.

**Miss Betty Ruff Is Speaker At Mary Baldwin College**

Miss Betty Ruff was the principal speaker at the annual Honors Convocation at Mary Baldwin College Feb. 3.

Her subject was "The Spark that Moves Us Onward."

Miss Ruff, who was graduated from Mary Baldwin in 1949 and is a member of the college Honor Society, teaches music in the Marion public school system. She has done graduate work toward her master's degree in music at the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N. Y. She is a daughter of Mrs. J. C. Ruff and the late Mr. Ruff of Staunton.

**HOGSTON COMPLETES 8 WEEKS OF TRAINING**

Pvt. Robert L. Hogston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hogston, Saltville, has completed eight weeks of basic training at the Camp Gordon Replacement Training Center, Ga.

During his basic training he received instruction in infantry tactics and weapons, and other subjects designed to prepare the individual for his military duties. Upon completion of these first eight weeks, Hogston is ready to continue infantry training or to attend one of the Army's many specialist schools located throughout the country.

**Airplane Club Is Formed At Community Center**

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**\$1,578.02 Taken During TB Seal Sales in December**


Returns from the Christmas Seal sales in Marion are a little ahead of those for last year.

A total of \$1,578.02 has been received to date. Returns from the rest of the county are not yet available. This money will be used by the Smyth County T. B. Association to pay for x-rays and to meet the many other expenses of finding T. B. cases in their early stages and securing prompt medical attention for them.

Mrs. W. B. Seaver, seal sale chairman in Marion, wishes to express her thanks to all those who bought Christmas seals. toepressx oth-y-

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**Attention TOBACCO GROWERS**



Here's a message of interest to all Smyth County tobacco growers:

Your county agronomy committee wishes to take this opportunity to call to your attention the fact that our growers lost approximately \$95,000 in income in 1953 due to failure to plant their full allotted acreage. Of 910 acres allotted 1263 growers, only 805 acres were harvested, or 105 less than the allotment.

With further acreage reduction facing the growers in 1954, your agronomy committee urges that each grower make plans now to sow sufficient beds to plant the full 1954 allotments.

They further recommend that soil samples be turned in to the county agent's office for testing and recommendations be followed in order to obtain the maximum yields.

Yours Very Truly  
**Smyth County Agronomy Committee**

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## Chamber of Commerce Committees Are Named

J. Leonard Mauck, newly elected president of the Marion Chamber of Commerce, has appointed the standing committees for the year.

**Agriculture** — Neal Umbarger, chairman; Byron Anderson, Francis Copenhaver, I. C. Choate, H. B. Eller, Ralph Lincoln.

**Arts and Crafts** — Mrs. Mildred Dickenson, chairman; Nathan Brisco, Clara Hill Carner, Kent Graybeal, Phil Smythe.

**Airport and Aviation** — David Greear, chairman; Francis Bell, Jim Tindall.

**Civic Affairs** — Dr. E. V. Richardson, chairman; Ralph Conner, Graham Fisher, L. H. Hubble, Wythe M. Hull Jr., J. Fred Killinger, Mrs. Margaret Seaver.

**Convention Committee** — Homer K. Bowen, chairman;

McRay Cole, Mrs. C. L. Collins, Mrs. George Dutton, Mrs. Sally Ripley, Arnold Strohkor, G. C. Walker.

**Dues Classification** — Fred Q. Graybeal, chairman; L. P. Haywood Jr., Wythe M. Hull Jr., J. W. Scalise.

**Education** — Warren Wright, chairman; Gale Atkins, George E. Copenhaver, Phil Cariberg, S. R. Crockett Jr., Forrest Deaton, Dr. David Francis, Dr. John Fray, Beattie Gwyn, J. Aubrey Matthews.

**Fire Prevention** — W. S. Johnson, chairman, H. P. Gills, Joe Stephenson.

**Health and Safety** — Dr. O. O. Smith, chairman, Dr. Joseph Blalock, Walter Boone, Dr. D. C. Boatwright, Eugene Catron, Ned Legard, R. M. Snead.

**Highway and Streets** — Dr. A. B. Graybeal, chairman, W. R. Beaver, Q. A. Calhoun, Marvin Copenhaver, Walter Francis, Crockett Gwyn, Francis Hoge, Fred Killinger, H. L. Russell.

**Improvement and Beautification** — W. T. Grissom, chairman, R. L. Blessing, J. Bryson Dye, Paul Hicks, Miss Hattie Kent, Florence Richardson, Ted Russell.

**Industrial Development** — H. M. Sparger, chairman, J. B. Bocock, J. Richard Campbell, R. W. Hawkins, Willard Lemmon, John D. Lincoln, O. E. Sayers, John Sutphin, Brodie Thompson, W. A. Wolfe.

**Library Representative** — Dr. John Fray.

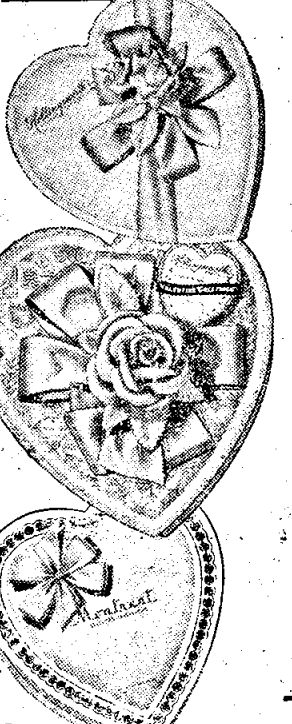
**Membership** — Frank Atkins, chairman, Jack Alexander, W. J. Andrews, J. V. Blackburn, Mrs. Della Ruth Dillard, J. Q. Donnelly, Kent Graybeal, Thad Harris, Donald LeDuke, Myers Mink, J. B. Neel Jr., Bob Nelson, R. G. Petty, Scott Pugh, Bill Sclater Jr., C. R. Snider, Neal Umbarger.

**National Affairs** — W. Pat Jennings, chairman, Henry Durshmidt, C. H. Funk, Cecil Greer, Fred McDonald, Justin Scott.

**Publicity and Advertising** — N. C. Peterson, chairman, Mrs. Clara Hill Carner, Curtis Hamm, James F. Tindall, Robert Wolfenden.

**Recreation** — K. K. Snider, chairman, Q. A. Calhoun, J. R. Dickenson, L. P. Haywood, O. J. Meador, R. E. Moore, D. D. Query, W. M. Robinson, J. Walter Wyatt.

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## Rich Valley Bulls Top Emory Freshmen in 66-56 Contest Monday

The Rich Valley Bulls topped the Emory freshmen at Emory Monday night in a 66-56 contest.

Ray Buchanan set the scoring pace for the Bulls with 25 points. Tony Bise chipped in with 15 points for the Bulls. Yarbrough set the scoring pace for the losers with 13 points.

The Bulls grabbed a slim first period lead that continued to increase throughout the game.

**Bulls**  
Barnes 8 f Dean 5  
Campbell 4 f Yarbrough 13  
Buchanan 25 c Crockett  
Bise 15 g Richards 9  
Huff 4 g Watterson 10  
R. V. Bulls 19 23 14 14 66  
Emory Frosh 17 19 11 9 56

**Substitutes** — Rich Valley Bulls: Branson 9, G. Buchanan 1, Webb, Emory Frosh: Richard Buchanan 7, Cummings 8, Riddle 4, Fletcher, Thompson, Young.



**UNDECIDED** — The nation's coffee situation, with a sharp increase in prices, has not affected the Smyth County market to any great extent, a survey this week revealed. "Those who want coffee are going to buy coffee and will continue doing so until it soars much higher" is the general opinion of storekeepers. Miss Katherine Sturgill, above, 219 Broad St., Marion, is not so certain what she wants, trying to decide in a Marion store whether to buy her old brand of coffee or switch to tea. Merchants report that some regular coffee drinkers have switched to tea. Others have met the problem by changing from their regular brands to a cheaper brand, while others have cut elsewhere on their grocery budgets and are buying their regular brand in usual quantities. Several merchants report that speculators in some instances are buying large supplies, expecting the coffee to go higher.

## Mrs. A. B. Farmer Presents Music Pupils in Recital

Mrs. A. B. Farmer of Chilhowie presented her piano students in a recital Saturday night at the Chilhowie Methodist Church.

Those playing were: Joanne Dinkins, Carol Craven, Shelia Greever, Sandra Echols, Porter Farmer, Martha Jo Hackney, Jane Sanders, Norma Dinkins, Carol Bonham, Ann Farmer, Geraldine Wolfe, Ann Walker, Phyllis Rosenbaum, Kitty Groseclose, Charlene Miller, Betsy Sanders, Carol Wolfe, Ann Allison, Patricia Duncan and Carolyn Porter.

## Six-Man Football In This Area May Fold Up in Future

A meeting was held at Independence Wednesday night to try to save the six-man football District I in this area and keep a football program for the Group Three schools.

The topic of discussion was that of securing a compact district. This would mean having enough teams enter this type of ball to have six or eight teams. At this meeting three schools planned to make the six-man football a reality. These were Rural Retreat, Jackson Memorial and Speedwell. The cost of operating a team in this type of sport is about \$750 and the district will need at least four teams to make up a good district, it was decided.

In the near future the Elk Creek school probably will consolidate with the Independence school and Speedwell may join the Rural Retreat school. This is the main problem that faced the district principals and the decision that had to be made. The schools in this area seem to be turning to 11 man

## Chicks Started Early Show Best Egg Profits

An analysis of U. S. government records shows that pullet flocks which are started as early as January and no later than early March earn substantially more egg profits than flocks started later, according to Charles Sowers, of E. L. Sowers & Sons, local chick and feed dealer.

"Flockowners can figure on \$20 to \$40 extra profit per 100 pullets by starting chicks early," he said, "simply by taking advantage of peaks in seasonal market trends."

Figures issued by the U. S. government show that egg prices have consistently averaged higher in September, October, November and December than they have during the next four winter months, he pointed out. Year after year, this early price difference over the country averages 12 cents per dozen, and in some areas the difference is as high as 15 to 20 cents. Chicks started in February should each lay at least 20 more early fall eggs than April started chicks, which is a gain of 20 cents per bird or \$20 per 100 pullets, January chicks should lay 40 more eggs during the high priced months than would April chicks, which represents a 40 cents per bird increase.

Flockowners who plan their operations to get maximum volume of eggs to market during the early high-price months will start their chicks in January, February or early March, Mr. Sowers said. (Adv.)

## Roy Cooper Is Guest Speaker To Civitans

District Lieut. Governor Roy Cooper of Bristol was guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Marion Civitan Club held at the Hotel Lincoln Thursday night.

The next meeting of the club will be held at Bluff City, Tenn., Saturday. This meeting will be an inter-club meeting with International President Earnest Moore, Toronto, Canada, to be the speaker.

Club members are requested to meet at 5 p. m. at Scott Pugh's service station for transportation to this meeting. Max Schloss, president of the club, stated.

## Tag Wolfe Made Deputy, Ross Verlander Jailer

Ross Verlander, veteran Marion police officer, has been named Smyth County jailer and Jailer Tag Wolfe deputy for the Marion Valley area, Sheriff Pat Jennings announced this Tuesday.

The change will take place within the near future, as soon as Verlander can break loose from his town duties. Chief of Police Ralph Wolfe stated that he would release Verlander as soon as possible in order to let him begin his new duties as jailer.

Wolfe replaces Jim Richardson, who recently resigned to take over as deputy treasurer for Marion. The treasurer, Richardson's father, Blaine Richardson, is ill and his son took over as deputy in order to keep his father's office in its usual efficient state.

"Wolfe recently expressed a desire to make the change from jailer to deputy," Sheriff Jennings said. "He has been doing work as a deputy in a pinch for several years and knows the procedure. His work as a jailer was outstanding, inspection records placing his

jail among the top few in the state. I am confident that he will run his new job in the same manner."

Wolfe's service as a jailer and desire to take over as deputy prompted this move, Sheriff Jennings said. "I had a large number of applications for the deputy's job and many of them were outstanding men," he said. "But when Tag stated that he wanted to get out as deputy, I felt his loyalty to the department definitely should be given first consideration, resulting in this move."

This is the second change since the first of the year in the sheriff's department. Sidney Snodgrass took over as deputy in the Rich Valley-Saltville area the first of the year, succeeding C. W. Holmes. The latter resigned to join the Saltville town police force.

Deputy Jake Irvin remains in the Rye Valley area, giving "Smyth County good law enforcement officers for each and every section of the county," Jennings said.

## Committee of Mental Hygiene Chapter Plans County Drive

The membership committee of the Mental Hygiene Chapter of Smyth County held a meeting Wednesday night at the Town Hall in Chilhowie to make plans for the extensive county membership drive which will soon take place.

Committee members present were: Walter Stuart, chairman; Mrs. J. A. Soyars, Saltville; Dr. J. A. Fray, Marion, and J. H. Greever, Chilhowie.

## Personal To Women With Nagging Backache

Nagging backache, loss of pep and energy, headaches and dizziness may be due to slow-down of kidney function. Doctors say good kidney function is very important to good health. When some everyday condition, such as stress and strain, causes this important function to slow down, many folks suffer nagging backache—feel miserable. Minor bladder irritations due to cold or wrong diet may cause getting up nights or frequent passages. Don't neglect your kidneys if these conditions bother you. Try Doan's Pills—a mild diuretic. Used successfully by millions for over 50 years. It's amazing how many times Doan's give happy relief from these discomforts—help the 15 miles of kidney tubes and filters flush out waste. Get Doan's Pills today!

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### Marion Personals

MRS. JOE STEPHENSON  
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Mr. and Mrs. Ben Scott of Christiansburg were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Scott, during the week end. Fran Russell of Bristol was a visitor in Marion last Sunday. Mrs. W. D. Vines is spending several days with Billy Vines and family in Kingsport, Tenn. "Dicky Kops of Washington and Lee, Lexington, spent several days of last week with his sister, Mrs. William Hubble, and Mr. Hubble. Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Mitchell of Elizabethton, Tenn., were week-end guests of Misses Bessie and Louise Mitchell. H. B. Buchanan of Rich Valley is spending several days with his daughter, Mrs. W. D. Crismond. Miss Mary Ann Atkins returned to Madison College, Harrisonburg, Monday after having been called home due to the

death of her grandmother, Mrs. S. T. Atkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harper of Scottsville, Ky., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Harper on Wolfe Street.

S-Sgt. Campbell Louthen of the US Air Force spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Annie Louthen, and home folks.

Mrs. Deola Corn of Fairground Hill is a patient in Duke Hospital.

Paul Eblen of VPI spent the week end with his parents, the Rev. and Mrs. S. N. Eblen.

Mrs. Julian Copenhaver was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald C. Shifflett of Radford.

Miss Charlene Doby of Christiansburg spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Stephenson.

Mrs. William Sparks and daughter, Nannie of Valdosta, Ga., are spending the month of February with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sparks, while her husband, Lt. Sparks is attending school in Indianapolis, Ind.

Mrs. Bob Hockaday is visiting relatives in Concord, N. C.

Miss Katherine Scott returned home Wednesday from Richmond, where she has been visiting her sister, Miss Marigold Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. David Stephenson and son of Blackstone were week-end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Stephenson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ramsey and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Adams had as their guests last week Mrs. Samuel Ford and two children of Richmond and during the week end, Mr. Vines, also of Richmond.

Mrs. Otho Snider and Mrs. J. P. McMillan were Sunday guests of Misses Myrtle and Verna Clark in Rural Retreat.

Tommy Grayson of Mountain City, Tenn., was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ray. Capt. John W. McGhee, who spent last week with his parents, left Sunday for Tyndall Air Force Base, Panama City, Fla. His mother accompanied him and returned to Marion Tuesday night.

Mrs. C. E. Ramsey has been confined to her home for the past few days due to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Peery announce the arrival of a son, Richard Jr., Friday, Jan. 29 at Shreveport, La.

Miss Elma Johnston had as her guests Tuesday John A. Mays of Philadelphia, Penna., and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mays of Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Vermilyea have been called to Charleston, W. Va., on account of the death of their granddaughter, Jane Lee Kuhn, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Kuhn.

Miss Sandra Yoke of Tulsa, Okla., arrived Sunday for a visit of several weeks, with her grandmother, Mrs. Harry Stephenson, also Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stephenson and family.

Miss Margaret Anderson of the University of Chicago visited her mother, Mrs. Robert Lane Anderson, during the week end and also attended the VPI dance in Blacksburg.

Mrs. Clarence Stephenson, Sandra and Stafford, spent the week end in Wytheville visiting Mrs. Sam Martin and other relatives.

A-1c Frank Stone of Elgin Air Force Base arrived Tuesday for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Arthur Stone.

Mr and Mrs. T. J. Phillips and two sons, Jeff and Denny, of Norton spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Slagle, on Cemetery St.

Circle 5 of the First Methodist Church met Wednesday with Mrs. Lewis E. Jarrett on E. Main, Co-hostesses were Mrs. Sam Ray and Mrs. W. W. Slagle.



**INDUSTRIOUS WORKER** for the March of Dimes drive that ended this week was Linda Henegar, five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Henegar of North Holston. Linda collected about \$13 for the drive with the pin on cup shown in the picture.



**SANDERS BRYANT JR.**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sanders Bryant, Saltville, celebrated his second birthday Feb. 2. His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Breedlove, Saltville, and his paternal grandmother is Mrs. Hattie A. Bryant, also of Saltville.



**ANGELA MUSSER** celebrated her second birthday with a party given by her mother. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Musser Jr. of Marion. Several children attended. Games were played and refreshments were served.

## Marion College Allies With 4 Senior Colleges

Marion College has completed plans for cooperative programs with four senior colleges and universities, leading to degrees in nursing, education, religious education, and liberal arts; Dr. John H. Fray, president, announced this week.

Under these programs, students complete the first two years of study in approved courses at Marion College and then transfer direct to the co-operating four-year college, thus insuring work toward a degree in their chosen field. The co-operating four-year institutions are the Medical College of Virginia, the University of Virginia, Wittenberg College and Gettysburg College.

The Medical College of Virginia has approved a cooperative program with Marion College in the field of nursing. It assures students who satisfactorily complete two years of pre-nursing at Marion, with a grade of "C" or better, of acceptance to the School of Nursing of MCV. A similar program leading to the B. S. degree in may enroll at Wittenberg Col-

lege to complete their requirements for the B. S. degree in Religious Education. The students should complete 64 hours of credit at Marion, with no grade lower than "C", in courses approved by Wittenberg.

Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, Penna., has approved a ion College leading to a degree in liberal arts. Under this cooperative program with Marion Medical Technology is being set up by Marion and MCV.

The University of Virginia has approved a cooperative program with Marion College leading to the B. S. degree in Education, which prepares the students for teaching in either public or private schools, elementary or secondary. Students who wish to work toward this

degree may take the first two years of work at Marion in a course of study approved by the University. An average grade of "C" is required for graduation from the School of Education of the U. of Va., and no grade lower than "C" is transferable there.

Wittenberg College, Springfield, O., has approved a co-operative program with Marion College in which students who desire to prepare to enter the Diaconate can take two years of their college work at Marion and then enter the Baltimore Deaconess School for two years, after which they plan the students should complete the first two years of work at Marion in selected courses of study no grade lower than "C".

Marion College is in communication with other colleges and universities with a view to setting up other cooperative programs in the future.

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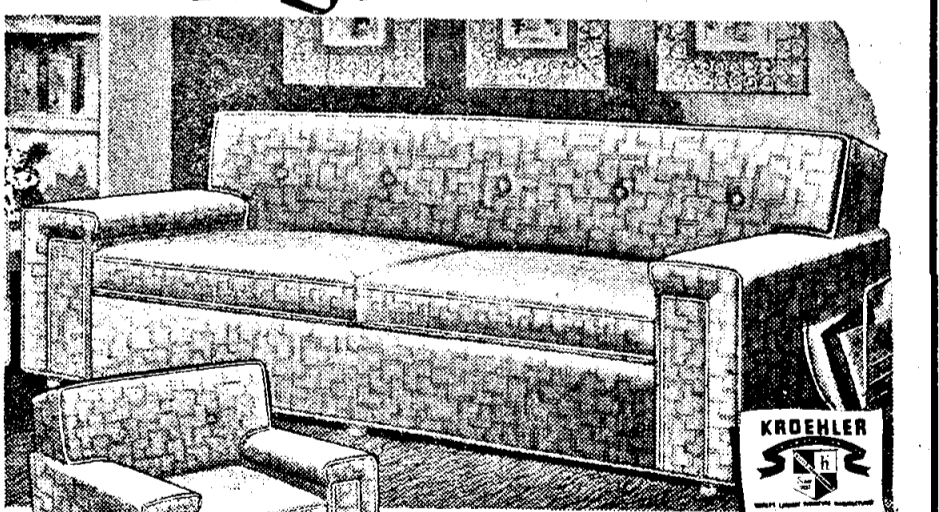
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Mr. and Mrs. John Crockett left Monday for a vacation in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Legard spent Sunday in Roanoke, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Clark. Miss Mary Carolyn Legard, of Madison College Harrisonburg, joined them there.

Miss Ann Wolfenden of Radford College spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wolfenden.

Miss Peggy Coffey of Mary Washington College, spent the week end with Miss Betty Ruff.

Pvt. Wilbur R. Cummings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neal G. Cummings of Rt. 1, Marion, has completed eight weeks of basic training at the Camp Gordon Replacement Training Center, Ga.

Rudolph Simms of Wytheville visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Simms, Gilman St., Saturday.

Mrs. Stella Vanhoy was a week-end visitor in Knoxville, Tenn.

Mrs. Charles Gordon and children of Johnson City, Tenn., spent the week end with her parents, Major and Mrs. G. P. Anderson.

D. C. Dixon, who has been living in Roanoke, has returned to Marion to make his home.

Mrs. Evelyn Harrison Stone of Baltimore, Md., has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Homer K. Bowen Sr.

Mrs. Arthur Peery is visiting relatives in Tazewell.

Mrs. Ruth Henderson, Mrs. Margaret Seaver and Mrs. Dave Martin attended the funeral of Mrs. Henrietta Huffard Moore in Rural Retreat Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Garretson have returned to Shenandoah after a visit to their home here.

Miss Virginia Ann Russell has returned to Washington, D. C., after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Russell, Rt. 2.

Mrs. J. C. Campbell has as her guest, her sister, Mrs. George L. Hays, of Pittsburgh, Penna.

Mrs. R. A. Patrick of Rich Valley has returned home from the hospital after recently breaking one of her ribs.

Miss Evelyn Page Richardson of Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia spent mid-semester holidays with her family, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Richardson, and Preston of Atkins.

### Band Students To Attend All State Meet

Saltville, Marion and Chilhowie High School band students will go to Grundy this coming Friday to take part in the All State Band meet, an annual event in Virginia.

The students won their positions in the All State Band tryouts held in Galax in December.

Students from Chilhowie that will attend are Patricia Duncan, Elizabeth Rosenbaum, Ann Herndon, Jo Ann Spurgeon, Charlene Miller, Benny Sanders, Kenny Rector, Peggy Gamble, William St. John, Nancy St. John, Geraldine Wolfe, Betty Sanders, Anna Lee Wyatt, Rosa Marie Jones, Janice Rouse, Josephine Duncan, Lowell Hopkins and Baker Martin.

Students from Saltville that are to attend are Mary Jane Webb, Mary Dunham, Morris Moore, Joy Slate, Nancy Bradt, Sidra Coe, Shelby Lee, Bobby Chapman, Tommy Diggs, Gene Lee, Frank Grace, Wilda Campbell, Charles Haynes, Eddie Sheffield, Sally Henderson.

Ned Legard of the Marion High School Band will also attend. This annual get together for members of the All State Bands will be held this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, with a big concert on the final day of the meeting.

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# NEWS of CHURCHES

**Mrs. Riddle Is Hostess to Mt. Carmel WSCS**  
 The January meeting of the Mt. Carmel Methodist Church WSCS was held at the home of Mrs. Veron Riddle in Cumberland Heights. Fifteen members and two guests were present. The Wesleyan Guild presented the program, with Mrs. Roy Winters as leader, assisted by Miss Ruby Allen, Mrs. Catherine Repass and Mrs. Fred McDonald. The president, Mrs. Roy Groseclose, conducted the business. Mrs. S. D. Scott will be hostess to the February meeting, with Mrs. Veron Riddle as leader. A social hour was enjoyed.

**Mrs. S. A. Cahill Is Hostess To Main Street Group**  
 The Ladies' Aid Society of the Main Street Christian Church in Saltville met recently with Mrs. S. A. Cahill. The lesson was given by Mrs. E. R. Arnold who was assisted by other members. Following the program and business discussion refreshments were served by the hostess and a social hour was enjoyed by the 13 members attending.

**Public Bible Lecture Slated at Kingdom Hall in Saltville**  
 R. W. Hampton, congregational servant at Kingdom Hall, Old Theatre Building, Saltville, announces that a public Bible lecture will be held at the hall this coming Sunday at 6 p. m. The guest speaker for this service for Jehovah's Witnesses of Saltville will be B. H. Gulcher of North Wilkesboro, N. C. Mr. Gulcher's topic will be "Death, Friend or Foe?" No collection will be taken.

**Special Services Slated at Chilhowie Methodist this Month**  
 The Rev. M. C. Phillippi Jr. pastor of the Chilhowie Methodist Church, announces special services at the church for each Sunday evening in February. Each service will begin at 7:30 p. m. Dr. J. S. Staley of Marion will speak Feb. 7 on his life as a doctor in India. The February 14 special service will be given by Dr. Victor Armbrister of Emory and Henry College. He will speak on his recent trip to Europe. A motion picture film "One God" will be shown at the church Feb. 21.

**Committee of Church Circle Has Meeting**  
 The Community Missions Committee of the Cora Vance Circle of the Chilhowie Baptist Church held a meeting Monday night at the home of Mrs. William Campbell, committee chairman. Members are: Mrs. Allen Fleming, Mrs. Dan Tuell, Mrs. Frederick Jones. In addition to the committee those attending the meeting were Miss Ruth Craig, Cora Vance Circle president, Mrs. Gale Faris, WMU president, and Mrs. Bill Denton and Miss Louise Snavely, YWA leaders. The purpose of the meeting was to make plans for mission work in the community for the year, which includes aid to needy families.

**Circle in Saltville Has Meeting With Mrs. J. Q. Peeples**  
 Circle 5 of the WSCS of the Madam Russell Methodist Church in Saltville met with Mrs. J. Q. Peeples instead of Mrs. J. M. Archer as planned. Mrs. L. W. Prater was in charge of devotionals. The topic of the program was "The Acceptance of Life." The scriptural reading from Psalm 18 was given. Mrs. Howard Sauls gave the lesson in the absence of Mrs. Archer. The lesson was the continuation of the Book of Jeremiah. Refreshments were served during the social hour.

**Week's Services Are Given For South Fork Church**  
 Sunday School will begin at 10 a. m. this Sunday at the South Fork Baptist Church. The Rev. O. N. Blankenbecker, pastor, will conduct preaching services this Sunday evening at 7:30. Prayer services begin at 7:30 each Thursday evening at the church and are also conducted by the pastor.

**Two East End Church Groups Have Meetings**  
 The Junior GA's of the East End Baptist Church met at the church Monday of this week. There were 10 members present. The topic of the program was "The Migrants." Geraldine Blackburn was in charge. The YWA of the church met at the home of Peggy and Nancy Sawyers Monday night of this week. There were nine members present. The topic of the program was "Meeting the Needs of the Migrants." Those taking part on the program were Ruth Quillen, Frankie Hall, Joy Greer, Evelyn Bird, Peggy and Nancy Sawyers. After the program a surprise birthday party was given to the counselor, Mrs. Helen Pruitt, by Mrs. Bill Sawyers. There was 31 present at the party. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

**Fannie Harris Circle Meets with Mrs. Rouse**  
 The Fannie Harris Circle of the Middle Fork Baptist Church met Jan. 25 at the home of Mrs. Charles Rouse. There were 10 members present. Mrs. Robert Rouse conducted the devotionals. All members took part on the program. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The next meeting will be with Mrs. French Daugherty.

**L. H. Wagner Will Speak to Seventh Day Adventists**  
 L. H. Wagner, assistant publishing secretary of the Potomac Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, will be the speaker at the 11 o'clock church service at the Marion church this Saturday. Mr. Wagner recently moved to Virginia from West Virginia where he worked for several years. He recruits and trains colporteurs in the sale of Christian literature. Other services of the church are: Wednesday night, prayer meeting with "Studies on the Prophecies of the Bible" as the topic; Friday night, Missionary Volunteer Society with "Studies for Young People" as the topic; and Saturday morning at 9:30 Sabbath School with Eli Pennington in charge.

**Riddle Memorial Group Has Meeting**  
 The Ladies' Society of the Riddle Memorial Church of God, Groseclose, met last Friday with 11 members present. The society voted to send \$10 to the March of Dimes. Mrs. Lillian Tibbs gave the program. Refreshments were served by Misses Katherine Umberger and Esther Leedy. The next meeting will be Feb. 26 with Mrs. Lloyd Pickle in charge of the program.

**East End Baptist Services Given**  
 The Rev. G. R. Blackburn announces the services for the East End Baptist Church for next week. Sunday School will be held Sunday morning at 9:45 with morning worship at 11 a. m. The BTU will be held at 6:30 Sunday evening with evening worship at 7:30. Prayer services will be held at the church each Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. The WMS of the Church will meet at the church Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.

**Rev. Roy Redding Lists Appointments**  
 The Rev. Roy W. Redding will conduct a service at Quebec Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. He will preach at Chestnut Ridge at 2:30 and at Green Mountain at 7 o'clock. The Rev. C. H. Atwell is pastor of the Green Mountain Church.

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Day	Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday	Matthew	23	23-33
Monday	Luke	6	27-38
Tuesday	Romans	8	16-26
Wednesday	Romans	12	1-9
Thursday	I Corinthians	13	1-13
Friday	Galatians	5	1-9
Saturday	Psalms	31	14-24

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**Chatham Hill WSCS Meets with Mrs. Neel**  
 Mrs. V. H. Neel was hostess to the Chatham Hill WSCS for the January meeting Jan. 23. The theme of the program was "Love Never Fails" and was led by Mrs. E. C. Hightower. She was assisted by Mrs. Claude Burnop, Miss Madeline Gwyn and Mrs. J. A. Campbell. Miss Ferne Burnop conducted the devotional and led in prayer. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The March meeting will be at the home of Mrs. John H. Burnop.

**Elder Sturgill Will Preach At Hooks Branch**  
 Elder F. Carl Sturgill, pastor of Hooks Branch Baptist Church of Marion, will fill his regular appointments this Saturday evening at 7:30 and Sunday morning at 11. Everyone is invited to attend these services by Elder Sturgill.

**Nick's Creek**  
 MISS CARRIE PATRICK  
 Nick's Creek, Feb. 1 — Mrs. Charlie Parlier is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Keith Smith, Mr. Smith and son in Birmingham, Ala. John Caldwell, USN, returned to Norfolk Sunday after spending an eight day leave with his wife and son. Mrs. Frank Hutton and Mrs. Cecil Huffman and Yvonne spent Saturday and Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Phipps at Nathan's Creek, N. C. Mrs. Phipps was ill. Mrs. James Parlier spent several days recently at Lexington, N. C., with her parents. Her father, Mr. Wilson, was ill, but is improved. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Arnold and Earl Arnold recently visited her father, Frank Taylor, who was a patient in a hospital. He is improving and returned to his home at Lexington Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cruft and children, Joann, Betty and Lorraine, and Roy Sexton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sexton at Burkes Garden.

**McCready**  
 TONY KESTNER  
 McCready, Feb. 1 — Mrs. Ora Surber was called to Martinsville due to the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Poore. Mrs. J. E. Pruitt is ill at her home. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bridges and Reta visited Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Frye of Abingdon last Monday. Mrs. Ocie Frye, Mrs. A. D. Frye and son and Mrs. Henry Phipps spent Monday with Mrs. Ardell Holly of Blackwell's Chapel. The Rev. Jennings Wilson will hold services at The Frye Funeral Chapel Feb. 14. Everyone is invited. Bill Roberts and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. Watson Frye Saturday evening. Miss Joan Ward of Roanoke Business College spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ward. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McKenny and family of Bristol spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Frye. Those sick include W. M. Kelly, J. W. Nipper Sr., Mrs. Miller Frye and little Eddie Smith. Mr. and Mrs. George Puckett of North Holston visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Blackwell Sunday.

**World Mission Speaker Comes to Marion Church**  
 Dr. Vernon A. Anderson, evangelistic missionary of the Presbyterian Church U. S. to the Belgian Congo, will speak at the Royal Oak Presbyterian Church Thursday, Feb. 11, at 7:30 o'clock. Dr. Anderson served as chairman of a committee of missionaries and Africans that compiled a dictionary in one of the vernacular languages of Central Africa. He is now a member of a committee engaged in revising the present translation of the Bible in one of the native tongues. He is a member of "The Permanent Commission for the Protection of Natives in the Belgian Congo," having received appointment to membership in this body from the Belgian king. During 1946 and 1947 he served as Interim General Secretary of the Congo Protestant Council. The headquarters of which are at Leopoldville, the capital of the colony. This is an interdenominational organization made up of the 44 Protestant Missions laboring in the Belgian Congo. Dr. Anderson speaks from a broad background of experience having served for 32 years in Belgian Congo, and being familiar not only with the religious conditions, but also with the economics and political situation throughout the country of Africa. He is a graduate of the Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., and did graduate work at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary of that city. On Sunday evening, Feb. 14, at the Royal Oak Presbyterian Church a 30 minute color film, "Korean Victory" will be shown at 7:30. The public is invited to attend.

**New Smyth Citizens**  
 Marion General  
 Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson, Chilhowie, girl, Jan. 28.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Vance Anderson, Atkins, girl, Jan. 29.  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harper, Marion, boy, Jan. 31.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reedy, Marion, boy, Jan. 31.  
 Mr. and Mrs. George Willis Jones, Marion, girl, Feb. 1.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Stover Cooper, Marion, boy, Feb. 2.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Erschel Bostic, Abingdon, girl, Feb. 2.  
**Lee Memorial**  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Grubb, Marion, boy, Jan. 28.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Sam Grubb, Crockett, girl, Jan. 28.  
 Mr. and Mrs. William S. Snider, Rt. 1, Rural Retreat, girl, Jan. 28.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Emory Stalard, Abingdon, girl, Jan. 31.  
**Greever Clinic**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wyrick, Chilhowie, girl, Jan. 13.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilcox, Meadowview, boy, Jan. 20.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Elmer B. Johnson, Glade Spring, boy, Jan. 26.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Edward LeClaire, Chilhowie, girl, Jan. 26.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Wyatt, Glade Spring, boy, Jan. 26.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Worley J. McVey, Glade Spring, girl, Jan. 28.  
**Thomas K. McKee**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Mitchell, Meadowview, boy, Jan. 29.  
 Mr. and Mrs. David Gregory, Glade Spring, girl, Jan. 29.  
 Mr. and Mrs. William Offield, Plasterco, girl, Jan. 30.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kestner, Saltville, boy, Jan. 30.

**PVT. FRANKLIN BROWN IS SERVING IN KOREA**  
 Pvt. Franklin D. Brown, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther D. Brown, Atkins, helped to celebrate the 40th Infantry Division's second anniversary in Korea this month. The former California National Guard division, which distinguished itself at Sandbag Castle, The Punchbowl and Heartbreak Ridge, arrived on the peninsula in January 1952. Private Brown, an ammunition bearer with the division's 224th Regiment, entered the Army last May and arrived overseas in November.

**MENTAL HYGIENE GROUPS SET MEETS**  
 Officers for the coming year will be elected at a meeting of the Marion Sub-chapter of the Holston Mental Hygiene Chapter Monday night at 8 o'clock in the Fellowship Hall of Ebenezer Lutheran Church. A film, "Feelings of Hostility," will be shown. Similar meetings are scheduled for the Saltville Chapter at 7:30 p. m. this Thursday and the Chilhowie Chapter at 3:30 p. m. this Thursday.



**New Quarry and Oak Grove**  
 MISS DORIS BISE  
 New Quarry and Oak Grove, Feb. 2 — Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Doane and children were the Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davidson, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Bayne Wright of Marion were the Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garnett Bise, and family. Those remaining ill are John Bise, D. H. Doane and J. L. Davidson. Misses Doris and Peggy Bise spent last week end with their sister, Mrs. Bayne Wright, and Mr. Wright, on Fairground Hill, Marion. Jean, Billy, Carol, Warren, Paul and Juanita Jones visited Mr. and Mrs. Garnett Bise and family Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hayden and family have moved to Buckeye Hollow. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Keith of Bristol visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Trigg Worley, and Jeanette Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Junior Jones and son of Quarry and Mrs. Vallie Gillespie and daughters, Lois and Phyllis, visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Haulsee and son, Larry, on Fairground Hill, Marion last Saturday night. J. W. Bise and son, Roy, have opened a grocery store in Pagetown. Mr. and Mrs. June Doane and family have moved to Atkins. Mrs. Buddy Doane and Joyce and Mrs. W. A. Keene and children visited their sister, Mrs. Joe Dgane, last week. Miss Lois Gillespie is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. Junior Jones, and Mr. Jones of Quarry.

**FOUR SMYTH STUDENTS MAKE HONOR ROLL AT MARION COLLEGE**  
 Four Smyth County students are listed on the Marion College honor roll for the first semester of the 1953-54 session. They are Florence Ann Fray, Marion; Junior R. Allen, Rt. 1, Atkins; Joyce Barr, Marion; and Marion Pratt, Chatham Hill. Announcement of honors was made at the formal chapel service Tuesday morning by Miss Edith Hoover, acting registrar. All students listed on the honor roll achieved a final average of "B" or better for their first semester's work.

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## JUVENILE DELIQUENCY

Smyth County again has been besieged with a rash of juvenile delinquents.

County and municipal officers report that thievery, especially the petty type, has picked up greatly among the young fry within recent months.

"They are giving us more trouble than the older thieves," is the general comment of most officers. "Besides, they are nervous and dangerous when cornered and someone is going to get hurt sooner or later."

Practically every week there are minors brought in to court for theft or some other misdeed. Behind 90 per cent of the cases are broken homes, marginal or sub marginal incomes, alcoholic fathers, crimson stained mothers and such. The youngsters are bewildered and often are beginning to harden into criminals who hate all decent society.

Principal Howard Williams of the Marion Elementary School tells us that he can foresee the future for these youths most of the time long before they begin lives as criminals. Their attitude at school begins to change. Instead of being youths who are willing to at least try to do a little studying, they become sullen and stage sit down strikes against learning, get a hang dog attitude or pick up false bravery which dares the teachers to try and instill a decent thought into their heads.

Life at school is something to be tolerated until the age of 16 is reached. Their main interest lies in getting out of school each day and they do not go home, but head for their "pals" loafing around town.

Officers report the same thing. Practically every police officer in the county is familiar with these youths long before they commit a crime. They begin loafing at odd hours, are seen talking with and doing odd errands for known crooks and begin basking in the light of their new found friends.

From there it is just a step to the first "job," usually a minor one of swiping cigarettes or something easily sold. From there the next step is the courtroom, a perfect pattern followed by practically all of our delinquent juveniles.

Court attendants are sympathetic with these youngsters. But law abiding citizens must be given consideration also. It is impossible to turn them loose on society without some restraining orders.

The sad part about the entire matter is that the courts have no place to turn in trying to rehabilitate these youngsters. If sent home on probation, they are placed right back into the same situation from which they came.

Uncaring and uninterested parents soon drift back into ignoring them. Often they sneer at the law themselves and set an example of lawbreaking and unmoral living which is deadly as far as the character of these boys and girls is concerned. It is useless to expect these messed up teen agers to get back in the squalor which originally caused their trouble and climb back out again.

Then there is the problem of sending these delinquents to the reform schools. This is avoided, unless those concerned are hardened and have a definite unredeemable criminal character. The institutions are too large for personal care and attention. Inmates often are harder and more cruel than adults, with their influence hindering any hope of redemption for themselves and those who come into contact with them. Sending a boy or girl to one of these places is in many cases the final process of making a lifetime criminal out of a person who possibly could be saved by other treatment. Only the hardened cases should go to these institutions.

Lt. Walter Boone of the Marion police force has come up with an idea which would like to see explored. It has been mentioned in these columns before, but nothing concrete has been done. He is of the opinion that a correctional farm, owned and operated by Smyth County, could be of great value in making valuable citizens of many of these delinquents. Such place would not be a picnic grounds for delinquents. Stern discipline, hard work and clean recreation would be the main program. But underlying all this would be a feeling of security and honesty for the inmates. They would be taught that they had a place in society if they could learn to discipline themselves and work for an honest living.

It would be foolish to think that all could be saved at such a place. But if only a small percentage could be brought back into the folds of honesty and given an education, it would be well worthwhile.

Keeping our criminal in confinement and at work is costly. And only by trying to cut down on the increase of crime can we hope to cut down on this penitentiary upkeep.

A farm of this type, with good supervision of the youngsters sent there, along with personal care and study of individual problems, possibly could cut materially on the harvest of growing criminals. Besides the humanitarian standpoint, it might prove economical in the long run. County and municipal officials of Smyth County should make a study, and see if such is feasible. We pledge our support.

## LET'S GET SUPERIOR

This week J. Leonard Mauck, new president of the Marion Chamber of Commerce, sent out a questionnaire to all members of the organization concerning assets which go to make a good community.

If 30 or more of the 40 questions could be answered in the affirmative, chances are, according to the information bulletin, the town in which we live is a live wire one, with an excellent rating.

In all honesty we tried the questions and found that Marion, in our estimation, has a high rank. But what puzzled us was the few questions which we had to mark in the negative. It would be so simple to put these matters on the positive side, which should give us a superior rating.

Among the question which received a negative answer were:

Do most high school graduates stay in town? This probably could be answered either way, but too many of

them, we believe, are going elsewhere and this should be corrected by more attention by adult citizens of this community taking an interest in their future.

Do young couple have trouble finding a place to live? Living conditions are tough in this community. It is hard to find a place to live. Again, perhaps this is because we are growing that this exists, so perhaps this could be changed to the affirmative.

Are teacher's salaries better than the state average? This gets a definite no and we have harped on this subject time and again. We cannot hold up our heads with pride in the matter of teacher's salaries and school facilities in Smyth County.

Is there a library with a good collection of 1953 books? Again the answer is a definite no. Smyth County is far behind in library facilities.

Do schools have plenty of room for students? Marion today is in much better shape than it was, but the county, which is an integral part of the town, gets a definite no, one which should make us wake up and drive towards changing this over to the positive side.

Are public toilets provided for farm folk shopping in town? Again a no is necessary. There is one public toilet for men at the rear of the courthouse but we dare anyone to go in there and not come out gagging. It's disgraceful and would be much better if closed until cleaned up. As it now stands, it is neglected and in a more than poor state. Health authorities should insist that it either be put on a definite program of being cleaned up or closed as a health menace.

Does good zoning keep factories away from residential areas? We changed this question to fit Marion, which has not had a factory problem. Our problem is that of business property springing up in residential areas and again we fall down. Zoning in Marion and surrounding communities is weak and in only a few sections can one build a residence without fear of a juke joint, service station or such being erected adjacent, reducing the value of the residence to a large measure overnight.

Is there a community council to guide town progress? There is not. Again we look countywide for the answer. Chambers of Commerce of Marion, Saltville and Chilhowie go their own ways, with no joint supervision for the good of all. Town governments and county officials have no coordinating agencies to help with mutual problems. Civic clubs have no way of coordinating their respective campaigns. Charitable organizations likewise are on their own. This could and should be changed.

These are the outstanding questions which received a no from us. With the exception of the school question, changing these to the positive side would not be expensive. And we are going to have to do something about the school problem, expensive or not. Just a few changes and a little effort in Marion and Smyth would enable us to give positive answers to all the questions. There's no time like the present to start this.

## Other Folks' Ideas

### MEN AT WORK — IN SECRET

(Richmond Times-Dispatch)

The Roads Committee of the Virginia State Senate last Thursday reaffirmed its policy of going into secret session to discuss and vote on bills before it.

This was not unexpected. Committees of the Virginia State Senate routinely conduct the public's business and the public is not allowed to look on. Sound legislative proposals sometimes are killed in the committees, but the names of the committeemen responsible are not necessarily made known.

In this matter of secrecy, most committees of the House of Delegates follow a policy more in the public interest than is the case with the committees of the upper chamber. House committees go behind closed doors more often than is justified, but votes, at least, are cast in open meeting.

This newspaper is well aware of the fact that in committees of the Virginia General Assembly, and of every other legislative body, there are infrequent occasions when discussions must be "off the record."

A committee is justified in excluding the public, for example, when appointments to boards or commissions are under consideration. Free and frank discussion of personalities cannot be carried on with the public listening in. There are other times when secrecy is essential in the interest of public safety or national defense.

But such occasions are the exception, not the rule, and there is no justification whatever for legislative committees to go into secret sessions as a routine practice, simply because the legislators prefer closed doors between them and the public.

A few voices have been raised in the General Assembly in behalf of the people's right to know what's going on.

Senator Ted Dalton, of Radford, introduced a resolution calling for open sessions, except in cases where the public safety or national defense would be endangered. In its present form—and probably not in any form—the resolution will never get out of the Senate Rules Committee, which meets and acts secretly.

Delegate J. W. Witten, of Tazewell, asked for more open discussions in the House Finance Committee (which, incidentally, is not among the worst offenders in this matter of secrecy).

And Delegate Frank Moncure, of Stafford, temporarily acting as chairman of the House General Laws Committee last Tuesday, kept the meeting open during committee discussion of the controversial bill which would have repealed the State's second-offender speed law.

As to the Senate Roads Committee, which we referred to at the beginning of this discussion, Senator Major Hillard, of Portsmouth, chairman, said the policy of closed sessions is to expedite the work of the committee, and is not intended to keep the public from knowing what the committee does.

Regardless of the intention, the policy obviously keeps the public from knowing the full story of what the committee does, or how individual members vote.

As to expediting the work of the committee, we wish Senator Hillard would enlighten us as to how exclusion of the public accomplishes that end.

Would not the same argument apply with equal force to sessions of the House and Senate themselves? Would proceedings be "expedited" — and the public interest protected — if closed doors separated the legislators from the citizens whose business was being transacted?

## Smyth County Speaks

January 27, 1954  
Mr. James F. Tindall,  
Marion, Virginia  
Dear Jim:

I thought you might like to have a word from me from time to time on what's new in the General Assembly. It is pretty well covered by the daily newspaper, but some of your subscribers do not take a daily.

Our greatest concern at the moment deals with the school situation. Governor Stanley's recommendations have many gimmicks. It sounds good on the surface but coupled with the recommendations for the new equalization formula has the overall effect of saying to counties, "Let's you all raise the teachers' salaries." Under this formula it would raise the amount Smyth County tax payers would have to secure in local funds for school operations some \$92,000 the first year. Of course this is astounding enough, but one gimmick is that it would continue to increase from year to year as the teachers' salaries are raised.

As far as the teacher is concerned it is equally disappointing, for it would take a new teacher eight years to realize the maximum salary under the formula. This will not only discourage many of our prospective teachers from entering the field, but many of them will become weary with the slow advancement and enter more lucrative fields.

A frightening fact facing the large poorer counties, which will lose school funds under the new equalization formula, is the mathematical fact that the city boys who will gain outnumber the county boys who will lose. Of 233 counties, cities and towns, 141 will gain while 92 will lose. Whether the principals of statehood will prevail over the selfish provincial interests remains a slim likelihood that only the next six weeks will reveal.

Many of our school communities which have building plans in the making undoubtedly were disappointed to find that the budget made no mention of any funds by which building may be expected to start in the near future. That Stuart Carter's bill to put the Byrd Refund Tax law to sleep for two years, with the contingent possibility that some of this \$7,000,000 will find its way into the Literary Fund, offers some glimmer of hope. Of course, the status of the unexpended Battle money remains the same but the problem of getting enough money from the Literary Fund or from local sources to supplement it also remains.

Of course everyone was shocked at the Governor's about face position on raising taxes. Many members who ran on Mr. Stanley's no-tax-increase platform are swapping any face saving ideas. While we know that diverted highway funds are inadequate to meet the needs, many of them feel that the proffered solution was unconscionable.

One of the most encouraging facts about the new Assembly which is to face such a bewildering docket of controversial legislation, is that the whole political complexion of the lower house has changed since the 1952 session. There are some 33 new members, all of whom are the highest type young men who indicate that they have come down here to decide matters for themselves and not to take orders from any party or faction of any party.

The Byrds and the Anti-Byrds have never faced a legislative docket with such misgivings and uncertainty. The few Republican members have never been in a better bargaining position because of the indefinite and vague line of demarcation between the two dominant wings.

Aside from the great differences that exist between those who may vote for and against the education equalization formula, there is a wholesome balance in the General Assembly which bodes well for the people.

If you wish I shall try to find time each week to send my views back to the people whom it is my desire to serve well.

Sincerely,  
W. Ray Rouse,  
Member, House of Delegates,  
Smyth

Chatham Hill, Va.  
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Charlie Burkett

Groveland, Fla.  
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Dear Sirs:  
Enclosed find check for renewal of your paper. We enjoy your paper very much, and if it is too late, feel like we can hardly wait for it. Although Florida has been my home for a long time, I still like to keep in touch with Smyth County.

Yours truly  
W. R. Raines  
Box 201,  
Groveland, Fla.

Mr. Editor:  
The slave traffic, abolished in 1861, was basically wrong and would not be allowed under any consideration by the American people today. Uncle Sam will not tolerate any citizen to be sold into slavery for any sum of money. This is good and right.

But today, since 1933, Uncle Sam allows any state, that so wishes, to sell citizens the right to sell intoxicating drinks that enslave millions of men and women to habits many of them cannot break or care to break. The liquor traffic is a slave traffic and ought to be abolished by the Federal Government never to return, for it is basically wrong to promote a business that debauches humanity, squanders money, breaks homes, encourages immorality, leads to crimes, makes murderers, fills jails, causes 25% of the insanity in the U.S., burdens sober people with taxes to care for the liquor debris, and scatters death and destruction on our highways and byways.

There are 750,000 alcoholics in our land today, and 60 millions more drinkers heading down the same way. One drunk on the street, in the gutter, or in the home, is enough to prove that alcohol enslaves, and that any one who makes and sells the stuff — runs the traffic, is a guilty partner in liquor slavery, which sober people can outlaw if they will. Prohibition or abolition of the traffic must come back, by federal law. The slave traffic law is enforced now. So can

be an anti-liquor law. State control of liquor is a farce, expensive, and only leads to more drinking, and more dastardly deeds, and wrecked humanity. Liquor slavery is wrong everywhere. Let's abolish it in the U.S.  
Miss Mary Bonham  
Chilhowie, Va.

Registered Hogs Purchased Last Week  
Four registered Berkshire hogs and two registered Berkshire gilts were purchased and placed with Neal Umbarger Jim Tilton, C. B. Atwell and Tom Kegley. These hogs were purchased from Maplehurst Purebred Berkshire Farm located near South Boston.

Dairy Herd Improvement Association Report  
Smyth County's report to the Dairy Herd Improvement Association for January was as follows: Roy E. Groseclose, 31 cow herd of grade Guernseys and Holsteins was in first place with an average of 37.7 pounds butterfat and 75.4 pounds milk. Southwestern State Hospital's registered Holstein herd of 79 cows averaged 35.6 pounds butterfat and 91.0 pounds milk. J. Ralph Stone's 29 cow grade Guernsey and Jersey herd had an average of 32.3 pounds butterfat and 66.5 pounds milk; D. W. Conner's mixed herd of 30 cows averaged 31.3 pounds butterfat and 68.8 pounds milk, and Sam L. Wilkinson's 20 cow herd of grade Holsteins and Guernseys averaged 31.2 pounds butterfat and 75.0 pounds milk.

Southwestern State Hospital had high cows in both butterfat and milk production, registered Holsteins, one of which made 112.3 pounds butterfat and another 77.0 pounds milk daily.

Cows producing sixty pounds or more butterfat were in herds owned by Southwestern State Hospital, 16; J. Ralph Stone, 1; Roy E. Groseclose, 2; D. W. Conner, 1; J. T. Frazier Farm, 1; J. T. Wilkinson, 1; Sam L. Wilkinson, 2; Shanklin Crab Orchard, 2; Laurel Springs Dairy, 2.

## Farm Notes

H. B. ELLER

### Smyth Dairymen Heads Artificial Breeding Association

Neal Umbarger, owner and operator of Laurel Springs Dairy, was elected president of the Appalachian Breeders Association at the annual meeting held in Abingdon last Thursday night. J. T. Wilkinson of Loves Mill community was elected one of the new directors. Paul McKee of Chilhowie is also serving as director to represent Smyth County breeders.

This association provides artificial breeding service to the Dairymen of both Washington and Smyth counties.

In addition to election of officers at this meeting a movie on the use of frozen semen was shown. It appears that this association will possibly be using frozen semen within the next 12 to 18 months. This practice will make it possible to follow line breeding where desirable, and to secure the services of higher breeding bulls as it will be possible to hold the supply of semen on storage from two to four weeks.

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**Broadford**

**MRS. VIRGINIA COE**  
Broadford, Feb. 1 — Bradley Ratcliff, who has been a patient in the McKee Hospital, has returned home somewhat improved.  
Mr. and Mrs. William Billings, Darlyn and Tommy, Dorothy McKee of Kingsport, Tenn., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Hess and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wyatt.  
Bob Johnson and family of Switchback, W. Va., spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson and family.  
Barbara Jean and June DeBord visited little Stevie Gillenwater, who is recovering from a recent operation, at his home in Glade Spring Friday evening.  
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wyatt and sons spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson at Wyndale.



**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE** — Smyth County's Sheriff Pat Jennings is shown above telling Democrats of the Ninth District at their convention last Saturday in Bristol that he accepts the nomination as his party's candidate for Congress. Looking on at left is Volney H. Campbell, commonwealth's at-

torney for Washington County, who withdrew as a possible candidate, throwing his support to Jennings, who was unopposed in the session marked by harmony among the delegates from all counties of the district. — (Photo Courtesy Bristol Herald-Courier.)

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Miss Aileen Dungan of Marion has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Carl Brickey, during the week.  
Harry Lee and Edward Hughes, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Brady Cruey, who are serving with the armed forces, spent the week end with their parents. Fred Johnson also serving with the army was a visitor in the Cruey home.

The Rev. George Musser of Marion and S. J. Cruey called on Martin White Sunday.  
Miss Patsy Harris of Quarry visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Delp, Joe and Doris Sunday.  
Simon Cruey visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coe, Mr. and Mrs. Rob Coe and Libby of Chilhowie Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Junior Harris of Broadford are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Delp.

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**Quarry**  
MISS IDA M. JONES  
Quarry, Feb. 1 — Miss Dorothy Richardson of Abingdon is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Rufus Chapman.  
Mrs. Della Mae Burchett, and son recently visited her mother-in-law, in Marion.  
Miss Ida Jones visited Wednesday with Mrs. Kermit Hicks.  
Mr. and Mrs. Hoover Richardson and daughter, Sandra, of Marion and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lester, Connie and Ronnie of Abingdon spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Emma Davis.  
Mrs. Edith Davis and daughter, Linda, spent Thursday with her aunt, Mrs. Joe Lee, of Saltville.  
Willard Ciapp has returned home after being a patient in the McKee Hospital.  
Mrs. James Clapp Sr. is a patient at the McKee Hospital. Sunday guests of Ida Jones were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lee and son, Gene, and Mr. and Mrs. James Jones, all of Saltville.  
Misses Imogene Routh of Saltville, Joann Patrick and Virginia Colley of Marion visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Scott Defreese and Kay.  
Those who are ill include Mrs. Mollie Chapman, Mrs. Edward McCready, Mrs. Fred Haynes, W. T. Crusenberry and Dan Walker.  
Mrs. Ralph Blevins and daughter, Mary Lea, spent Thursday with her aunt, Miss Ida Jones.  
Sgt. Bobby Keese of Korea is spending a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Keesee.  
Mrs. Lula Keesee of Chilhowie spent Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sessor.  
Mrs. Laura Miller and Gail spent last Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. Claude Duff, and Karon of Saltville, Rt. 2.  
Miss Ida Jones visited Mrs. M. K. Sheppard Friday evening.  
Mrs. June Frye and son of McCready spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Ruby Surber.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ferguson Jr. and son, Mike, of Norfolk are visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ferguson

**Horse Shoe Bend**  
MRS. S. J. CRUEY  
Horse Shoe Bend, Feb. 2 — Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Osborne are now residing here.  
Seaman Lee and Mrs. Johnny Johnson of Norfolk visited Mr. and Mrs. Simon Cruey Saturday. Her son, Jimmie, returned home with them.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Collins, Rena and Martha Eller visited Mr. and Mrs. Uriah Blevins of Cleghorn one night last week.  
Little, Hilda Taylor of Saltville visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Terry, Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Price and children of Glade Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. John Collins and family Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Walt Billings of Seven Mile Ford visited Mr. and Mrs. John Smith Sunday.  
Otis Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Thompson, has been a patient in the McKee Hospital.  
Mrs. Giles Helton visited Mrs. Simon Cruey and Lila Firday.  
Monroe Porter has returned to Illinois, where he is employed.  
Mrs. Landon McAllister and Sue of Chilhowie visited Mrs. E. S. McGhee last Wednesday.  
Mrs. Bill Keesee and Connie of New Quarry visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Harris Sunday.  
Herman Olinger of New Quarry visited Mr. and Mrs. Edd Cardwell and children recently.  
Mrs. Nora Church and granddaughter of Quarry visited Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Terry and family Sunday.

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### Child Welfare Is Biggest Program In Welfare Work

Child welfare accounted for 42.2 per cent of expenditures of the Smyth County Welfare Department in January, the monthly report reveals. This includes foster care and aid to dependent children. This, plus aid to those over 65, under the old age assistance program, accounted for 71.6 per cent of expenditures. Less than 10 out of every dollar spent went for administration, according to the report. A total of 403 cases were handled. Total money spent was \$14,277.72. Federal funds were \$8,469.55, or 59.3 per cent. The state share was \$3,289.54, or 23 per cent of the total. Smyth County funds amounted to \$2,517.44, or 17.7 per cent. Federal funds went to the following programs: Old age assistance, aid to dependent children, aid to blind, aid to totally and permanently disabled. State funds are used for the entire program. Following is a break down of cases and total money spent in each category: Old age assistance, 179, \$4,194; dependent

children, 121 (380 individuals), \$5,478; foster care, 32, \$550; blind, 14, \$435.50; disabled, 31, \$973.50; general relief, 20, \$439.46; hospitalization, 6, \$815.96; administration, \$1,391.22.

### St. Clair's Creek

**MRS. ROBERT BROWN**  
St. Clair's Creek, Feb. 1 — The Smyth-Washington County singing convention was held at Macedonia Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon, Jan. 24. At this meeting the officers were elected for the coming year. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Childers were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Childers recently. Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard McClure Sunday, Jan. 24, were Mr. and Mrs. Vance McClure and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie McClure and Nancy Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown and Roger Gene. Carlene Childers spent the week end of Jan. 23 and 24 with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Childers. Mrs. G. Johnston and Gary have both been ill with colds and Mrs. Johnston is still shut-

in with cold and sinus. Mr. and Mrs. Howard McClure and P. D. were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Vance McClure. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Miller and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Miller visited Sunday afternoon with Miss Lottie Miller, who is yet not able to be out. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller received a message from Madison, Ohio, of the illness of their son, Tom. Miss Josie Miller left Thursday to be with him for a few days. Surgery was performed Friday and they found him to be in a serious condition. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cregger and sons of West Virginia were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cregger and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Goodman. Guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Blevins were Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Blevins and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blevins and family. Mr. and Mrs. Carson Anderson had visiting them Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Walton and family. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Cook have bought the home formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Blevins.

### Marion High School

**ANN VERNON**  
**EXAMS** — Exams were taken on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week. They began at 9:30 each morning and 1 o'clock each afternoon with one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Students were not required to attend school if they did not have an examination. There was no assembly last week. **TRI-HLY** — Harriet Slep had the devotions at the Tri-HLY meeting Jan. 26. Peggy Jarrett, vice president, was in charge. She appointed a committee to work on bills that might be introduced at the Model General Assembly by the club this spring. It includes Jenny Jo Pruener, chairman, Linda Broce, Annette Ellis, Libby McCarty and Peggy Jarrett. The project committee suggested selling pins or presenting a carnival as possible club projects. Projects will be voted on at the next meeting. Also two representatives to the Model General Assembly from the club will be elected at the next meeting. **JUNIOR TRI-HLY** — A telephone directory containing the names and addresses of the high school students and faculty which has been published by the Girls' Junior Tri-HLY, went on sale at home room period Monday. The cost of the directory is 35c.

### Henrytown and Hill City

**MRS. BARBARA HARRIS**  
Feb. 1 — Mrs. Robert Woodward gave a miscellaneous shower in honor of Mrs. Pat Jenkins Friday. Games were played and refreshments were served. Mrs. Ida Woodward is ill. Mrs. Kefton Smith and Mrs. Carl Harris participated in the Mother's March against polio here. Mr. and Mrs. Kefton Smith and family visited Mrs. Sam Frye and Mrs. Buddy Smith and son, Eddy, of McCready Sunday. Little Eddy was ill. Jackie Poore of Perryville visited Misses Peggy and Fern Smith Saturday. Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cannon Sunday were Mrs. E. L. Dowell, Robert and Tommy Smith, Bob and Jerry Holmes, Mrs. Arthur Taylor and Wale, Estil Talbert, Patsy Collins and Jane Cannon of Roanoke. Buford Hayden of McCready spent Saturday night with Bill Cannon. Mr. and Mrs. George Snow Jr. and Ann McCready visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor and Wade Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mabe and children of Gold Bond spent Thursday and Friday with Mrs. Emma Poston. Mr. and Mrs. John Poston of Gold Bond spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Poston. Bill and Doug Cannon and Buford Hayden of McCready visited Mrs. Arthur Taylor and Wade Sunday. Mrs. Junior Odum and James Lynn of Abingdon visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith, this week. Mrs. Arthur Taylor had as guests last Sunday Bill and Doug Cannon, Miss Lois Greer and Miss Dixie Harris of Horse Shoe Bend. Mrs. Oat Smith of Saltville visited Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith and family Tuesday. Mrs. Cal Smith, Mrs. Junior Odum and Mrs. Douglas Arnold visited Mrs. Noah Tolbert last week. Mrs. C. H. Hyman and Tom spent part of the past week with Buddy Hyman and children of Marion, Mrs. Buddy Hyman was called to Ohio due to the illness of her father. Mrs. Harry Atherton of Saltville visited Mrs. Ellen Dowell last week. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cannon and Darlene visited his mother, Mrs. Hannah Cannon, of Poore Valley Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Gipson Poore of Perryville recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Kefton Smith and family. Mrs. L. N. Dowell is improved. Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Woodward spent the last two week ends in Fredericksburg. They went up one week end to bring Mrs. Herman Huffman to her home in Pagetown. They took her back to Fredericksburg this last week end.

Mrs. W. Ray Rouse, Greer Street, is spending a week in Richmond with her husband, Rep. W. Ray Rouse of the House of Delegates. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Robinson and family have recently moved to Burlington, N. C. The J. R. Nelsons are moving into the house vacated by the Robinsons on North Main St. Mrs. Clara Hill Carner attended the midterm faculty pot luck dinner at the Atkins School Saturday. Other guests were Supt. J. Leonard Mauck and office staff, and Miss Ball, the art supervisor with the University of Virginia. Mrs. Mary Maiden Beville, Abingdon, was last week's house guest of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Beville, Wassona Park. Word has been received of the sudden death of D. A. Boatwright, husband of the former Miss Lois Harmon of Rich Valley, at his home Wednesday in Rockville, Md. He was buried Monday in Arlington Cemetery with military honors. Mrs. Boatwright is a niece of Mrs. J. P. Hill. Mrs. W. E. Hill and son, David, North Main St., were visitors in Roanoke Saturday.

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### Food Sense—Not Nonsense



### Winds Blew Free—But Sailors Had No 'C'

Of those who sailed the high seas of old, it rarely could be said, "they never had it so good." Food supplies on voyages were limited and outbreaks of scurvy were common. Scurvy is now known to be caused by lack of vitamin C. It was by chance that sailors discovered that citrus fruits could prevent scurvy. Science revealed that the anti-scurvy—antiscorbatic—properties were due to the acid—vitamin C—now known as ascorbic acid. Although scurvy is rare in this country today, a lack of adequate amounts of ascorbic acid in the diet can be recognized. A shortage will result in weakened walls of the capillaries—those tiny blood vessels which form an amazing network in the body. Those who have mild shortages may bruise easily. Lack of energy, muddy complexion and slow healing of wounds are other indications of a deficiency. Scurvy in children is frequently diagnosed as infantile rheumatism. If a deficiency of vitamin C is not too advanced, it may be corrected by adequate amounts of the vitamin in the diet. Because the body is limited in its ability to store vitamin C, this nutrient must be obtained daily. The easiest way to meet the daily C requirement is through a generous serving of citrus fruit at breakfast. In fact, a well planned breakfast will not only furnish vitamin C but will furnish significant portions of the other nutrients we require. Enriched or whole grain cereal or toast, an egg or serving of breakfast meat and a glass of milk supply the breakfast's share of proteins, B vitamins and minerals. Daily use of canned or fresh tomatoes, or tomato juice is also a simple way to get one's vitamin C. Often overlooked as sources of this nutrient are potatoes, cabbage and green vegetables, especially if uncooked. Although vitamin C is more readily destroyed by heat or exposure to air than other vitamins, it is not always lost in cooking; most of the original "C" is retained in a baked potato. Acid fruits, prepared and refrigerated overnight lose little of this vitamin by breakfast time.

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### Rich Valley High School

**ARLENE ODUM**  
**NEW BOOKS** — Approximately 75 new books have been received for the library. A REPRESENTATIVE from Roanoke Business College, spoke to the Seniors recently. She also showed a movie on the activities at the college. **GUIDANCE** — Recent topics under discussion in guidance classes have been sportsmanship and savings. **STAMPS** are being sold each Tuesday. **CLASS BASKETBALL** was included in the excitement between examinations. The senior boys came out victorious over the sophomore boys, while the senior girls over came the sophomore girls. **THE FFA CLUB** held its monthly meeting Jan. 21. **4-H CLUB** members held a meeting Jan. 21. The 4-H Club boys had a special meeting at the high school Jan. 25.

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**MRS. CLARA HILL CARNER**  
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Royal Oak, Feb. 3 — Mrs. Joe Crockett, Wytheville, is visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stuart Ellis, Wassona Park, while Mrs. Ellis is a patient in a local hospital. Miss Betty Thomas, Virginia Intermont College, Bristol, spent the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Emmett Thomas, North Main St. Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Graybeal, Wassona Park, spent Sunday in Warrenton, N. C. Miss Louise Snavelly and parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Snavelly, Chilhowie, were guests Sunday of Mrs. J. P. Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Coldicott, Wytheville, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Kent, North Main St. Mr. and Mrs. White, New York City, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Lincoln, "Graystone Manor", en route to their southern home at Buford, S. C.

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# High School Basketball Results

**MARION 50**  
**SUGAR GROVE 37**

The Marion Scarlet Hurricane defeated the Sugar Grove quintet in a 50-37 contest at Sugar Grove Tuesday night.

Hall set the pace for the losers and the game with 14 points. Dick Williams set the scoring pace for Marion with 13 points and Fred Query chipped in with 12 points.

The score at the end of the first period was a deadlock at 9-9 and the Hurricane pulled to the front at the midway mark with a 27-13 score.

Marion Sugar Grove  
 Reedy 3 f Brooks 1  
 Query 12 f Barton 3  
 Williams 13 c Hash 11  
 Thompson 8 g Jennell 7  
 Baker 4 g Hall 14  
 Marion 9 18 15 8-50  
 Sugar Grove 9 4 10 14-37

Substitutes — Marion: Comer 2, Stephenson 4, Kepler, Rouse 2, Winebarger, George. Sugar Grove: Medley 1, Ward.

**MARION 47**  
**RICH VALLEY 40**

The Marion Scarlet Hurricane pulled behind in the final period in a District Seven tilt at Rich Valley Friday night to win a close 47-40 victory.

Fred Query with 18 points and Dick Williams with 12 points set the pace for the Hurricane. Don Carter bucketed 23 points to set the pace for the Steers and the game. Carter was the only Rich Valley player to reach the two digit bracket.

The Steers trailed on the low end of the score for the first two periods, and then burst on fire to lead at the end of the third period. Marion came back to turn the table and capture the game in the final period.

In the curtain raiser the Rich Valley girls captured a 60-52 victory. Arlene Odum slipped in 42 points for Rich Valley to lead the game in points.

Marion pos Rich Valley  
 Reedy 8 f D. Carter 23  
 Query 18 f T. Buchanan 4  
 Williams 12 c J. Carter 4  
 Baker 5 g Worley 2  
 Thompson 2 g P. Buchanan 7  
 Marion 13 9 6 19-47  
 Rich Valley 12 8 9 11-40

Substitutes: Marion: Kepler 2, Comer; Rich Valley: Tuggie.

**INDEPENDENCE 62**  
**SUGAR GROVE 44**

A strong Independence five upset the winning ways of Sugar Grove in a 62-44 contest at Independence in a District T battle Friday night.

This was the eighth straight victory for the Independence quintet. J. B. Duncan bucketed 28 points to set the scoring pace for the winners and the game. Independence grabbed an early 39-10 lead at the end of the halftime mark and coasted the remainder of the game.

Harold Roland bucketed 12 points to set the pace for the slim margin winners. Mickey Maust chipped in with 11 points for the winners. Jim Carter set a hot scoring pace for the losers and the game with 19 points. Preston Buchanan chipped in with 10 points for the losers.

The final period marked the defeat of the Steers as the Warriors grabbed the upper end of a 14-13 tally.

Arlene Odum bucketed 40 points to pace the Rich Valley sextet to a 69-54 victory in the opener. Nancy St. John tallied with 26 points for the losers.

Chilhowie Rich Valley  
 Clapp 3 f D. Carter 5  
 Maust 11 f T. Buchanan 4  
 Roland 12 c J. Carter 19  
 Walton 9 g Worley 4  
 Duncan 8 g P. Buchanan 10  
 Chilhowie 14 5 10 14-43  
 Rich Valley 10 8 11 13-42

Substitutes — Chilhowie: Triplett; Rich Valley: Henderson, Tuggie.

**CHILHOWIE 59**  
**CASTLEWOOD 54**

The Chilhowie Warriors grabbed a 59-54 victory over the hapless Castlewood quintet at Chilhowie Friday night in a District Seven tilt.

Maust with 11 points and Clapp and Roland with 10 points each set a hot pace until the third period, when the three fouled out to give way to replacements. The Castlewood five outscored the substitutes in the final period; however, they were unable to outpace the Warriors.

The Chilhowie girls made it a clean sweep by taking the opener in a 71-65 contest. Nancy St. John set the pace for the Chilhowie sextet and the game with 43 points. Patrick chipped in 39 points to pace the losers.

Chilhowie pos Castlewood  
 Clapp 10 f Monk 17  
 Maust 11 f Meade 8  
 Roland 10 c Huff 17  
 Walton 8 g Hobbs 2  
 Duncan 6 g Cook 7  
 Chilhowie 19 9 16 15-59  
 Castlewood 14 9 13 18-54

Substitutes: Chilhowie: Triplett 5, Tucker 2, Elliott 5, Dohlinger 2, Castlewood: Dishman, Horne 3.

**CHILHOWIE 43**  
**RICH VALLEY 42**

The Chilhowie Warriors edged past the Rich Valley Steers in a thrilling 43-42 District Seven battle at Rich Valley Tuesday night.



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# Better Fishing Program Planned for State Lake

Plans for better propagation of fish in Hungry Mother Lake are underway, with a program being worked out for this work by a Smyth County group.

Raising of fish in the lake while still keeping it clear of underbrush and such for recreational purposes has been a problem ever since the state park has been established.

Recently I. T. Quinn, commissioner of Game and Inland Fisheries, and Randolph Odell, State Parks Commissioner, were approached on a joint program for this improvement.

Mr. Quinn agreed to 100 per cent cooperation on any feasible recommendation about two weeks ago in his Richmond office. Mr. Odell this week in a long distance telephone call to Richmond agreed to the same.

Present plans call for an early meeting with Grover Anderson, in charge of the park; Dixie Shumate, operator of the bass and trout fish hatcheries operated by the state in Smyth County; Stan Ockers, forester for Jefferson National Forest, and James F. Tindall to discuss the matter.

Mr. Odell this week told Tindall that "The problem of good fishing at Hungry Mother Lake has been one of the biggest there for year." The Parks Commission is anxious to do everything possible to help the situation, he stated.

"We recognize that this is part of our recreational program and desire to help foster this program for the benefit of our patrons. You folks work out what you can and let this office know what you recommend and we will go along with anything we possibly can."

Mr. Quinn stated at Richmond recently that his offices and personnel will go all out in improving fishing at the lake. "The dumping of fish into the lake each year is not the answer to the problem," he said. "If we can work out some program whereby the small fish spawned in the lake each year can have protection from the large fish, there should be good fishing there. We fully realize that swimming, boating and picnicking are of prime importance at the recreation center and the development of fishing there presents problems. Our staff is ready to give every possible assistance to Mr. Odell and his staff in trying to do something to improve fishing at Hungry Mother."

Tentative suggestions include the building of sunken log piers in parts of the lake farthest away from the bathing beach. Limbs from trees could be anchored to these piers, affording hiding for the small fingerlings until they grow large enough to evade the grown fish.

Park officials this winter have been placing underbrush along the banks of the lake for this same purpose. The large fish eat the fingerlings unless some hiding places are provided, resulting in depletion of new growth fish.

Possible sites for these spawning grounds, the possibility of fertilizing some of the sheltered coves on the eastern shore of the lake, away from the beach, and other improvement phases will be studied by the group, with recommendations to both the parks and fisheries commissioners being made following this study.

# Sports Chatter

By Charles Martin

The hopes of everyone concerned are high to receive at least two more good teams in the Burley Belt League for the coming season. Chilhowie could enter the league if the lights at the stadium are installed in time for play around April 30. The drive going on in Chilhowie to raise money for this good project should soon be concluded and the project completed. The purpose, no doubt, was to give the citizens of the town some kind of good entertainment. The entering in the Burley Belt League would furnish a good show for everyone.

If the people of the community who are sponsoring the drive would start the ball rolling and get the lights up a team could be entered. Last season in the Tri-County League Chilhowie furnished a team that finished second to Austinville. This was a better record than that of the Marion team. Chilhowie could go through the same that Marion will be going through to enter this good, scrappy league. A few outside boys and the present home talent would furnish a representative team. The lighting of the field could be delayed and the first games played at the other end of the line until the field was in playing condition. This will probably be the condition at Marion until the middle of May.

Marion will need the support of everyone in the town to put the first season over. The problem of securing good boys to help fill out the bill with home talent should soon be overcome at a meeting of the Marion club to be held in the near future. The exact time of this meeting has not yet been decided, but everyone interested in helping the team or playing should make an appearance at this meeting. The spirit shown thus far has displayed great hope for the coming season.

Damascus is another possibility in the Burley Belt League. If this town would enter the league along with Chilhowie, a good league could be founded and the distance between the clubs would not be too great. Last season Damascus started to enter a club in this league, however did not find the ruling of the majority of the clubs to their liking and did not enter. If this club could be re-organized this would help fill out the six clubs. According to the present ruling, any clubs may enter the league, if the present rules are accepted.

After finishing in the cellar during the past season, the Lebanon club dropped from the picture this season. Richlands was another possibility during the first part of the past season, however, there was no sound from that part of the mountains.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5  
 HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL Marion vs Virginia High of Bristol at Marion. Rich Valley vs Abingdon at Rich Valley. Rural Retreat vs Chilhowie at Rural Retreat. Saltville vs Castlewood at Castlewood. Game time 7:30 p. m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9  
 HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL — Rich Valley vs Glade Spring at Rich Valley. Marion vs Graham at Marion. Saltville vs Chilhowie at Saltville. Rural Retreat vs Elk Creek at Rural Retreat. Game time 7:30 p. m.

SALTVILLE DUCK PIN LEAGUE — Worthy Mine vs Shannon Mutual, Caustic vs Hancklites, Ice Plant vs Central Service at Plasterco. Game time 7 p. m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10  
 SALTVILLE DUCK PIN LEAGUE — Chlorine vs Glade Hardware, Mill Room vs Chilhowie, US Gypsum vs Taylors Esso at Plasterco. Game time 7 p. m.

# SPORTS IN SMYTH COUNTY

## DOUGLAS HIGH 51

The Douglas High School quintet of Elizabethton, Tenn., topped the Carnegie five at Carnegie last Wednesday night in a 51-25 contest in the Marion High School gym.

Douglas grabbed an early lead in the first period that continued throughout the game. The Bulldogs of Carnegie were never able to threaten this lead seriously.

Charles Dabney, Bulldogs, set the scoring pace for the losers and the game, racking up 14 points. James Smith paced the winners with 13 points.

The Carnegie Junior varsity topped the Douglas High five in the curtain raiser in a 34-8 tilt. Alvis Tucker set the pace for the winners with 18 points in his first appearance.

Douglas Dabney 14 f J. Smith 13  
 Bailey 1 f Moore 4  
 Parsell 5 c Taylor 5  
 L. Cox 3 g Brown 2  
 J. Cox 2 g Bradley 2

Substitutes — Carnegie: none. Douglas High, Hagler 5.

## BLUEFIELD 79

The Carnegie Bulldogs faced the second defeat of the season at the hands of the Bluefield Warhawks in a 79-39 contest at the Marion High gym Monday night.

The Bluefield boys grabbed an early margin and the Bulldogs could not compete. Charles Dabney set the scoring pace for the losers and the game with 18 points. David Parsell chipped in with 15 points to help fill the bill for the losers. Parker set the pace for the winners with 15 points and Bowser and Jackson chipped in with 14 points each in the scoring race.

Bluefield Dabney 18 f Bowser 14  
 Bailey 3 f Hopkins 6  
 Parsell 15 c Parker 15  
 L. Cox 1 g Jackson 14  
 J. Cox 1 g Sales 8

Substitutes — Carnegie: Hayes 1, Bluefield, none.

## BASKETBALL STANDINGS

**DISTRICT SEVEN**  
 TUESDAY'S RESULTS

DISTRICT

Bristol 68 — Richlands 46  
 Saltville 68—Abingdon 61  
 Castlewood 55—Lebanon 38  
 Chilhowie 43—Rich Valley 42

TEAM W L Pct.  
 Bristol 6 0 1.000  
 Pocahontar 8 1 .889  
 Chilhowie 8 4 .667  
 Honaker 5 3 .625  
 Tazewell 5 3 .625  
 Cleveland 6 4 .600  
 Saltville 6 4 .600  
 Graham 4 3 .571  
 Castlewood 6 5 .545  
 Lebanon 6 6 .500  
 Richlands 6 6 .500  
 Marion 4 5 .444  
 Abingdon 3 9 .250  
 Grundy 2 6 .250  
 Rich Valley 0 6 .000  
 Glade Spring 0 8 .000

## Saltville Duck Pin League Bowling Standings

**LAST WEEK**  
 TUESDAY NIGHT

Ice Plant 3 — Hancklites 0  
 Chilhowie 3 — US Gypsum 0  
 Mill Room 2 — Chlorine 1

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Worthy Mine 2 — Caustic 1  
 Shannon 3 — Central 0  
 Taylors 2 — Glade 1

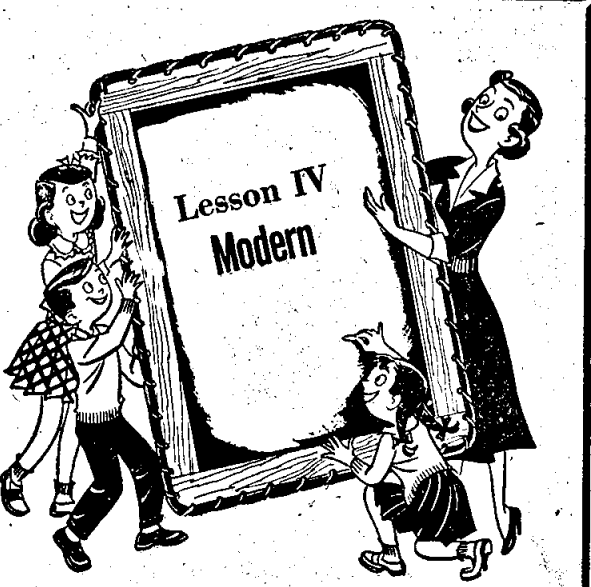
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# NEWS of PEOPLE and CLUBS

## Marion Garden Club Observes Anniversary

The Marion Garden Club observed its fourth anniversary Thursday, Feb. 28, in the banquet hall of the First Methodist Church with a pot luck dinner.

The members were allowed to bring their husbands or a guest.

A special business session was held and the secretary, Mrs. C. W. Barton, read a short history of some of the club's accomplishments in the four years of its organization. She also told of the first garden club meeting that was held in Athens, Ga., in 1891, adding that there are, in the

state of Virginia 340 clubs and 49 junior clubs.

The women accepted into the club as active members were: Mrs. Ernest Blumenberg, Mrs. Z. M. K. Fulton, Mrs. W. L. Kelly, Mrs. John McGhee, Mrs. E. C. Scott and Mrs. George Taylor. Archie Snyder was made an honorary member.

After the business session, Charles Keith Snider entertained the audience with a sound movie in technicolor on the Yellow Stone National Park. Following the movie colored slides were shown including scenes of flowering shrubs and trees from VPI and different places in Virginia; also scenes from the club's Fall Flower Show and Joe Steph-

enson's garden of chrysanthemums and oriental poppies from Mrs. H. B. Eller's garden.

Hostesses were: Mrs. J. R. Blalock, chairman, Mrs. R. C. Crockett, Mrs. James Dean, Mrs. H. B. Eller, Mrs. H. P. Gills, Mrs. R. C. Potter and Mrs. C. S. Wassum.

## W. C. Elliotts To Have Open House Feb. 14

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Elliott of Saltville will entertain with open house Feb. 14 from 2 until 5 at the home of their daughter, Mrs. A. C. Price, and Mr. Price in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The Elliotts have six daughters, Mrs. R. G. Lawson, Glade Spring; Mrs. Arthur Price, Saltville; Mrs. C. E. McGraw, Raleigh, W. Va.; Mrs. Albert Chapman, Gold Bond; Mrs. Jessie Davidson and Mrs. E. L. McGuire, North Holston and one son, T. C. Elliott, Saltville.

They also have 20 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

## Chilhowie Garden Club Has Meet

Members of the Chilhowie Garden Club met Monday night for the regular meeting in the reception room of the Terrace Heights Funeral Home in Chilhowie, with Mrs. J. D. DeBusk Jr. in charge.

Mrs. M. B. Cole introduced the visiting speaker, Mrs. Bill DeBusk, a member of the Abingdon Garden Club. Mrs. DeBusk showed films of several gardens in Abingdon and some pictures taken on a western trip.

Mrs. W. C. Kelly was elected corresponding secretary for the club.

At the conclusion of the meeting refreshments were served to the 36 members by Mrs. Jack Haynes, Mrs. Haynes also contributed the door prize, an arrangement of jonquills, which was won by Mrs. Lee Bonham.

## Marion Junior Women to Have Dinner-Dance

The Marion Junior Women's Club will hold its annual birthday dinner-dance at the Holston Hills Country Club this coming Friday at 7 p. m.

Mrs. Charles Cooper, hospitality chairman, has charge of arrangements.



Linda Hoofnagle was hostess to the Atkins Junior Music Club at her home last Friday night.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Sandra Slagle.

The recital which will be held Feb. 19 for parents and friends was discussed.

All pupils present played recital pieces. Mrs. Fred Davis, sponsor, presented a contest on composers. Winners were Jeanette Davis and Ruby Gullion.

Refreshments were served to about 20 by Mrs. Henry Hoofnagle and several others.

## HOSPITAL PATIENTS

Lee Memorial  
Tuesday, Feb. 2  
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Eva Hicks, Mrs. C. J. Hutton, Mrs. J. H. McCoy, Mrs. Arnold Overbay, Mrs. John Wright, Mrs. J. S. Testerman, Charles S. Dority, Sherril Powell, baby Charles E. Sturgill, Mrs. A. A. Slagle, Mrs. Paul McGhee, Mrs. Dave Moore, Mrs. Stuart Ellis, Mrs. N. M. Reeves, Claude Haga, Mrs. Sam Duncan, R. L. Van-Hoy, Mrs. H. B. Robinson, Mrs. D. O. Overbey, Marion; Miss Mary Porter McKay, Crockett; Carson Onnie Hart, Mrs. W. D. Cassell, George Hopkins, Duane Crutchfield, Mrs. Bessie Lowe, Chilhowie; Mrs. Ida McGrady, Volney; Mrs. P. A. James, Wytheville; Mrs. W. F. Warren, A. L. Hamilton, Glade Spring; Mrs. Albert Surber, Broadford; Mrs. O. B. Currin, Mrs. Oscar Pierce, Sugar Grove; Mrs. Jane Petty, R. C. Huddle, Mrs. John Byrd, Rural Retreat; Walter Holdaway, Mouth of Wilson; Mrs. Opal Ross, Chatham Hill; Mrs. Harold Walker, Mrs. W. H. Gollehon, Seven Mile Ford; Luther Cassell, Nebo; James Blevins, Konnarock; Paul Atkins, Atkins.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Gay, 1205 Easton Drive, Lakeland, Fla., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy Jane, to John Rouse Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rouse, Chilhowie.

Miss Gay, who was graduated from Lakeland High School, is now attending Berea College, Berea, Ky., where Mr. Rouse was awarded a BS in business administration last June.

Mr. Rouse is now an accountant for the vice president and treasurer of Crosley Broadcasting Corp. at WLW radio and television stations in Cincinnati, Ohio.

A June wedding is planned.

## Mrs. William B. Seaver Elected President of Marion Pilot Club

Mrs. William B. Seaver was elected new president of the Pilot Club of Marion Monday evening when the club's regular business meeting was held at Hotel Lincoln.

Other in-coming officers are: first vice president, Mrs. Virginia Tate; second vice president, Mrs. Z. T. Atkins; treasurer, Miss Shirley Miller; recording secretary, Miss Pauline Moody; corresponding secretary, Miss Lettie Snider; directors, Mrs. Burchell Cornett, Miss Frances Prater, Miss Evelyn Griffiths, Mrs. John Fisher, Mrs. C. C. McClellan and Miss Rachel Buchanan.

A brief devotional was given at the beginning of the meeting by Mrs. J. C. McClaugherly.

During the business session it was announced that the Pilot Club of Norfolk has drawn up a resolution requiring a premarital chest X-ray as a prerequisite for obtaining a marriage certificate in the State of Virginia. It is felt that such a measure would be the first step in the prevention and health education for each new family. This resolution was also endorsed by the local club.

Another resolution which was drawn up at a special joint meeting of the board of supervisors and the school board of Smyth County held Jan. 30, was also read and discussed. This resolution would oppose the proposed distribution of school money on the basis of the new proposed formula. According to the resolution, it is felt that the new proposed method of distribution of funds is unfair, and that counties, such as Smyth, with large pupil population and small wealth per child would be penalized. After some discussion, the Marion Club voted to support this resolution.

The next meeting of the club will be a dinner meeting at Hotel Lincoln Monday, Feb. 15.

**Surgical**  
Mrs. G. T. Hull, Mrs. Paul E. Byrd, Marvin Robinson, Mrs. Audie L. Price, Marion; Mrs. Arthur L. Testerman, Trout Dale; Mrs. Nancy Blevins, M. B. Parks, Sugar Grove; Mrs. M. C. Shaver, Independence; Mrs. Ruth H. Harrington, Grant; E. F. Thomas, Bristol, Tenn.; Mrs. Fred Stowers, Rural Retreat; Mrs. William Huffman, Atkins.

**Accident**  
Miss Willie Sprinkle, Marion; Willard Hayes, Chilhowie; Miss Edith Moore, Rural Retreat.

VPI Staff Members  
Are Named Trustees  
Of National Foundation

Miss Maude E. Wallace and Dr. Mildred Tate of VPI have been named to the board of trustees of the National 4-H Club Foundation.

Miss Wallace, who is assistant director of the VPI Agricultural Extension Service, will represent the extension committee on organization and policy. Dr. Tate, head of the home economics department, was chosen to represent the executive committee of the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities.

The board of trustees, which guides the national foundation, now consists of eight members from the state extension services, two member from the federal extension service and one representing the Association of Land Grant Colleges.

The National Foundation is moving into its sixth year of service to rural youth with a program that includes research in the developmental needs of youth, human relations training for youth leaders, the International Farm Youth Exchange, a National 4-H Club Center, and citizenship training. The program is supported entirely by contributions from private sources.



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## Cedar Springs

MRS. M. E. MYERS

Cedar Springs, Feb. 1 — As often as this song comes over the radio, "Keep Me Humble, Dear Lord," has never meant one thing only just yapa tee yap.

They sing it jig time and tune. Haven't an idea what another word in this song is, but, now, those words come with a beautiful meaning.

People are so good to me. Their human kindness, concern, consideration of any imaginary want can never be evaluated. Tuesday morning the door bell rang. Here was Lucile, (Mrs. Cambell Irwin) with a big smile and a big bag. She said, "I brought you a little mess of fresh meat." It was pork back bones, liver and tenderloin.

She said: "O, no, I haven't a minutes time to come in, we just wanted you to know we were thinking of you."

Wednesday I was in the beauty parlor in Rural Retreat getting my hair "done". I simply have to keep up my morale by primping up a bit. Out of a clear sky Mrs. Ray Huddle

walked in. She had a gorgeous red, pure linen, handkerchief with a white crocheted border on it in her blouse pocket.

She handed the handkerchief to me and said, "It is brand new, never been laundered. I haven't even pulled the price tag off. It has never been in a pocket til today. I want you to have something that I made."

Things like that happen so frequently that I certainly must memorize the song.

You have heard me speak of the unsightly weedy, poison ivy, briar patch of an orchard adjoining the Myers lawn. It is, or was, in such a state of hopeless desolation no one would plow or tend the ground. A man from Grayson came over Wednesday and with a bulldozer lifted the old apple tree stumps right out of the ground, and a man from Rural Retreat has promised to come and plow. Now, maybe I can persuade a sympathetic person to spread some much needed fertilizer which shamefully reposes in the sacks in which it was purchased in 1953. I can truthfully say it is one of the best pieces of ground any where. Even before the trees were cut it furnished marvelous big ears of sweet corn, bushels of cucumbers, tomatoes etc; for many neighbors around here.

Will report later if it gets worked this year.

There was an honest to goodness rain the night of Jan. 21. The creek banks were over flowing. Wells and cisterns now are working again after being dry for probably six months. The Rev. J. W. Colbert is conducting a revival meeting at Speedwell church. The water was over the low bridge and so they had to detour by way of Dry Road.

The big new bridge which will replace the low water bridge is nearing completion after a long delay for lack of funds. Asbury church is planning on getting a new gas or oil furnace in the near future, but ever since the church was built the basement looks more like a swimming pool than a regular basement when the floods come. No amount of cement will stop the water. An automatic water pump might be installed unless some one has a better suggestion.

The new Baptist church "Sharon" seems to be doing fine. The average attendance is around 60. The Josh L. Moore family gave the ground on which the

church was built, and the congregation gave Mrs. Moore the honor of naming it.

Shaylor Fisher, who has accepted a position as supervisor of the milk plant at the R. R. Crawgey Ham Farm has been on sick leave with pneumonia.

Little Richard John Fisher is absent the first time from school in four years. He has mumps but has not been sick. He had some kind of serum, "antimumps" before he showed symptoms of the disease. They think the serum may account for the lack of illness.

Robert Sierl Porter and a friend, Neel Kinder, have returned from a Southern trip lasting two weeks. They visited Will Porter at Valdosta, Ga., before going on to Miami for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. James McLaughlin. Mrs. McLaughlin will be remembered as Babe or Marietta James.

The travelers brought oranges and grapefruit. Incidentally we had more than our share of the fruit. Some of the grapefruit had many seeds and others no seeds, all grown on same tree in McLaughlin's yard.

The Speedwell H. D. Club gave a big dinner to the Ruritan Club of Speedwell Thursday evening, Jan. 21.

Turkey was the principal meat. Venison steak was passed and it was astounding how many took none and some took pieces about an inch square. This only proves that men are

not the least interested in food when they put up big money for game license. All they are interested in is the sport of hunting.

The doctors at Lee Memorial Hospital will be surprised to know that Mrs. Mollie Anderson was well enough to attend Sunday School and quarterly meeting at Asbury church. After being critically ill so long she is seemingly as well as ever.

She sits up from about 8:30 a. m. to any where from 8 to 11 at night. She is beginning to walk alone. She laughs at her walking but believes firmly that she very soon will walk normally.

Mrs. Virgil Cornette suffered a stroke Saturday about 6:30. She was entertaining guests at 4:30 and the next news was that she was ill.

Miss Minnie Killinger was given a birthday dinner Monday, Feb. 1, by Mrs. M. E. Myers. The guests were Mrs. Re-pass Umberger, Mrs. Greek Blackard, Mrs. John Wilson and Mrs. Millard Newland.

### JANE GILLESPIE IS ON DEAN'S LIST

Miss Jane Gillespie is one of the Radford College students on the Dean's List for the fall quarter.

Miss Gillespie, daughter of Mrs. W. T. Gillespie of Broadford, is a senior and is majoring in elementary education and English.

## Chatham Hill

MRS. CLAUDE BURNOCP

Chatham Hill, Feb. 1 — Miss Peggy Stephenson spent Friday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Buchanan.

Mrs. Fred Carter, has been ill for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Thomas and daughters of Norfolk spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Bowling.

Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Neel, Billy and Gail, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell and children, Mrs. Billy Cook Neal and son and Mrs. William Nutter visited Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell Sunday.

Ralph Spencer, who holds a position in Roanoke, spent the week end with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Neel of Bland, Mr. and Mrs. John Burnop and Campbell were supper guests of the V. H. Neels Tuesday, Jan. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stephenson and children were dinner guests of Mrs. J. A. Stephenson Sunday.

Mrs. Ida Gwyn and grandson Willie Gwyn, who has just gotten his discharge from the Marines, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Gwyn last week. Milton Clark was a dinner guest in the Gwyn home Saturday.

Misses Jane and Joan Allender, students at Marion College, spent a recent week end with Mr. and Mrs. Rush Gwyn.

Their home is Hampstead, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Bowling and daughter, Wanda, were dinner guests of the Claude Burnops Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campbell and son spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. John Gwyn. Mr. and Mrs. Rush Marsh were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Jan. 31.

of the television shop is stone dry.

"We have tried everything we know to find out what the difference is," Donald LeDuke, owner of the gas company, states. "We keep the two buildings at the same temperature. I mop and they laugh. I drop my temperature. I mop

and they laugh. I open my doors and they close theirs. I mop and they laugh."

To date LeDuke is still mopping, and Cliff and Claude Millard are still enjoying clear windows. And the joker is that Cliff and his family are Baptists and used to plenty of water, while LeDuke is a Methodist.

## Everything Happens In Smyth

An explanation is being sought in the conduct of a new building recently occupied by two Marion businesses.

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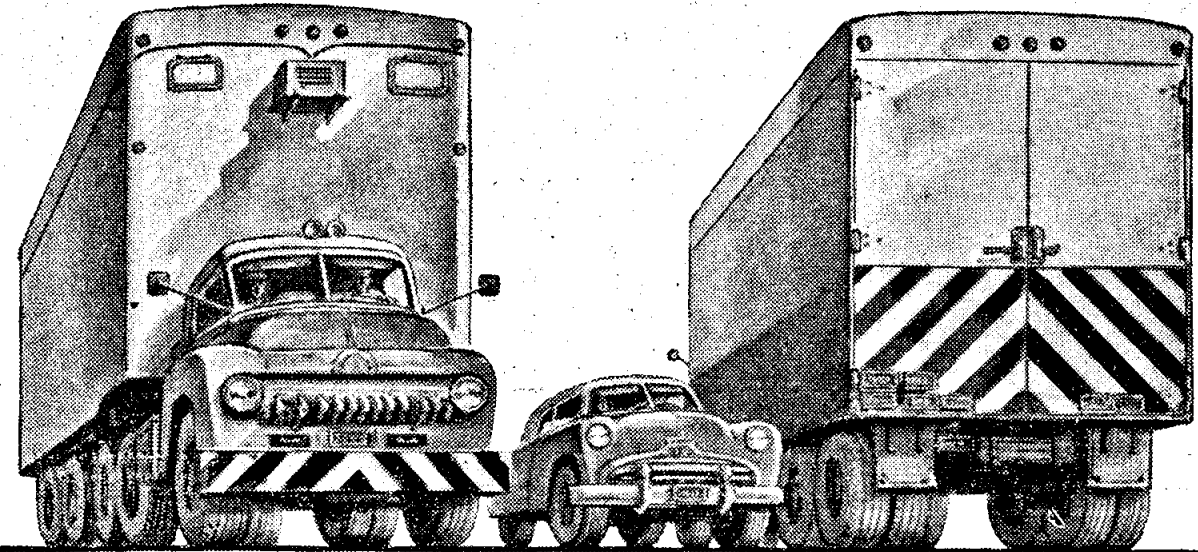
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# Who's Getting Squeezed?



It has been proposed that the state gasoline tax be increased to provide additional funds for improving Virginia highways, which the Highway Department states are rapidly becoming obsolete. This is largely due to the terrific pounding of big trucks.

The State Highway Department originally estimated that additional \$20 million per year for 10 years is needed, and that a tax increase of 2c per gallon would provide these funds. On January 2, 1954, the Department increased this to \$28,000,000 per year. This amount would require a gasoline tax increase of 3c per gallon.

*Who will pay this tax? WHO'S GETTING SQUEEZED?*

**LET'S LOOK AT THE RECORD:**

Official figures of the Harshbarger\* Report show that payments of 1952 gas taxes were in the following ratios:

Private Passenger Cars & Misc. Vehicles	62.85%
Taxis and busses	2.05%
Private trucks under 20,000 lbs. (Mostly farm and delivery)	17.78%
Private trucks 35,001 to 50,000 lbs.	6.89%
All other private trucks	3.21%
For-hire trucks under 35,000 lbs.	3.48%
For-hire trucks 35,001 to 50,000 lbs.	3.74%

Applying these percentages to the \$9 million and \$18 million which would be produced by a 1c and a 2c gasoline tax increase, **IT'S EASY TO SEE WHO'S GETTING SQUEEZED!** —

	1 CENT INCREASE	2 CENT INCREASE
Private Passenger Cars & Misc. Vehicles WOULD PAY	\$5,656,500	\$11,313,000
Taxis and busses WOULD PAY	184,500	369,000
Private trucks under 20,000 lbs. WOULD PAY	1,600,200	3,200,400
Private trucks 35,001 to 50,000 lbs. WOULD PAY ONLY	620,100	1,240,200
All other private trucks WOULD PAY ONLY	288,900	577,800
For-hire trucks under 35,000 lbs. WOULD PAY ONLY	313,200	626,400
For-hire trucks 35,001 to 50,000 lbs. WOULD PAY ONLY	336,600	673,200

\*Professor Boyd Harshbarger of V. P. I.

These figures prove that:

**THE PREPONDERANT BULK OF ANY INCREASE IN GASOLINE TAXES WILL BE PAID BY OPERATORS OF PASSENGER CARS AND LIGHT TRUCKS WHICH ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE NEED OF THE INCREASE! WHO'S GETTING SQUEEZED? YOU!**

Most of the BIG TRUCKS you see on Virginia highways are Out-Of-State trucks, paying practically nothing for the use of your highways. Under the policy of "Reciprocity" these Out-Of-State trucks pay no gross receipts tax. They pay nothing for the use of Virginia highways except gasoline tax, and as the above figures show, very little of that!

It has been estimated conservatively that "Reciprocity" costs the Virginia taxpayer more than \$2 million per year in highway revenue.

The Marr Commission, composed of five members of the General Assembly and four other outstanding citizens of the state, in a report to the Governor of Virginia and the General Assembly said:

**"RECIPROCITY, EXCEPT FOR VEHICLE TAGS, IS NOT TENABLE AS A PUBLIC POLICY."**

In urging that "Reciprocity" be abolished, the Marr Commission recommended that a weight-distance tax be substituted for the gross receipts tax and that this tax be applied to ALL private and for-hire carriers. It stated: "This form of weight-distance tax is the only . . . highway user tax which treats all (trucks) alike, foreign and domestic, for-hire and private hauler."

Write to your representative to the Virginia General Assembly and vigorously protest an increase in the gasoline tax, urge that "Reciprocity" be abolished and that the weight-distance tax be enacted in the law as a substitute for the gross receipts tax. Remember, you: the operators of the private passenger cars, the light farm and delivery trucks, will pay the greater part if gasoline taxes are increased.

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ing that McClintock was trying to break up her son's home.

Sam Duncan Jr. stated that he did owe Corvin the money and had told him he would pay up as soon as possible. He said that he shot when Corvin started in the yard after his brother with a knife, purposely shooting low in order not to kill Corvin.

Corvin denied having a knife. Young Duncan's wife, only 14, stated that she saw Corvin running Johnny with a knife.

Judge W. V. Birchfield, impaneled suspended sentences, told the Wytheville youths to

**STATE OF CHILHOWIE**

**Thurs., Last Time**

**Alan LADD** "BOTANY BAY"  
Patricia Medina  
James Mason  
(Lloyd Barr)

**FRI. & SAT.**  
**ALL NEW THRILLS**  
**TARZAN AND THE SHE-DEVIL**  
**LEX BARKER** Joyce MacKenzie  
Plus  
**"When The Redskins Rode"**  
(L. E. Bates)

**MON. & TUE.**

**GARY COOPER**  
**BARBARA STANWYCK**  
**BLOWING WILD**  
(M. G. Bartley)

**Wed. & Thurs.**

**JOHN WAYNE AT HIS FIGHTING BEST!**  
JOHN FORD and MERIAN C. COOPER present  
**FORT APACHE**  
starring  
JOHN WAYNE  
HENRY FONDA  
SHIRLEY TEMPLE  
PEDRO ARMENDARIZ  
Directed by JOHN FORD  
(W. H. Bishop)

**Burlington Mills Declare Dividends**

Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 27 — The Board of Directors of Burlington Mills Corporation today declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share of common stock payable March 1 to stockholders of record at the close of business Feb. 5.

Also declared were regular quarterly dividends of \$1.00 per share on the Corporation's 4 per cent preferred stock, \$1.05 on the 4.20 per cent preferred stock, and 87 1/2 cents per share on the 3 1/2 per cent preferred stock. These are also payable March 1 to stockholders of record at the close of business Feb. 5.

**\$5 Argument Proves Costly to Trio In Trial Justice Court**

An argument Saturday afternoon over \$5 was costly for three young men this Monday in Trial Justice Court.

Walter Corvin of Wytheville was fined \$25 and costs and given six months suspended of charges of threatening to assault Sam Duncan Jr. and his family of Marion. Duncan was given a similar fine and sentence on charge of sprinkling Corvin with birdshot. Harlow McClintock of Wytheville, friend of Corvin's, was given a \$10 and costs on drunkenness charges.

Deputy Tag Wolfe, investigating officer, reported the affair as follows: Saturday afternoon he received a call that a fracas was in progress at the Duncan home east of Marion, just beyond the bridge this side of Royal Oak Service Station. He investigated and found everything quiet, returning to Marion.

A short time later a call came from town police headquarters that a man over

there, shot in the leg, had been involved in the affair. Wolfe went over and talked to Corvin, who told him that he had been shot by Duncan but that he didn't want a warrant.

Wolfe took Corvin to the hospital for x-rays and left him with instructions to remain there. He then went after Duncan and, returning, saw Corvin walking up the highway just west of Rt. 16 intersection. Corvin took to the bushes, with the officer right after him. Wolfe found the fleeing man lying face down in the bushes. The Wytheville man received a minor pellet wound in the left leg and another in the hand.

Sam Duncan Sr. was first to take the stand Monday morning. He said that Corvin, McClintock and several others came to his house Saturday afternoon looking for his son, who was in town at the time. Corvin he said, cursed his son and said something about wanting the \$5 the younger Duncan owed him.

The party, some of whom were drinking, came back later and this time another son, William, came to his father and told him that Corvin had said he was going to kill "Junior." On the third trip Corvin threatened to kill "the last damn one of the Duncans," the father stated. He said that he had a knife at this time and that he was coming into their yard when someone fired from the front of the house, resulting in Corvin leaving.

Duncan said that Corvin was coming towards another son, Johnny, at the time, and that he previously had been told, along with McClintock, to stay away from the Duncan home.

Johnny, William and Mrs. Duncan testified about the same, with Mrs. Duncan add-

stay away from the Duncan home and told young Duncan to use other means than a gun to keep them away, calling police officers if they returned.

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**Groseclose**

**KATHERINE SIMMERMAN**

Groseclose, Feb. 1 — Mr. and Mrs. Guy Buckley and son of Rural Retreat, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tester and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dutton and family of Atkins were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dutton Sunday.

Mrs. R. K. Harden has returned home after spending sometime in Eggleston. She is visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Yontz and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Pickle.

Pvt. Edward Pickle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Pickle, and Pvt. Jack Stafford, who are receiving their basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C., spent last week end at home.

Miss Anna Simmerman spent last week end in Dublin. Mrs. Reece Pickle spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tibbs and family.

Robert Ross of Flatridge visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ross Sunday.

Thelma Catron, who is employed in Washington, D. C. and Martha Shupe of NBC

spent the week end with their parents.

The Rev. H. T. Blackwelder of Blacksburg, Miss Ruby Leedy and Earl Overbay of Atkins visited D. L. Smith and E. C. Hicks Sunday afternoon.

Garland Cline, SN, and Darrell Foster, SN, of Norfolk spent last week end here.

R. R. Simmerman and Misses Helen Simmerman and Lottie Newman of Wytheville visited in the Simmerman home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Vaught and family and Mrs. Bert Lindamood of Rural Retreat visited Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Yontz and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Yontz and son have moved into the community. John Yontz was formerly of here.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Crabtree and Mrs. Dewey Willard attended the funeral of Mrs. J. H. Troutman in Marion last Sunday.

Mrs. W. S. Blackard is spending sometime in Bristol, Tenn., with her son, Frank Blackard, while Mrs. Blackard is recovering from an operation at a Marion hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Shumate

**Rye Valley PTA Holds Meeting**

The Rye Valley PTA met in the High School auditorium last Thursday.

Dr. B. T. Seils was the speaker. He spoke on "Religion in the Schools," and the March of Dimes.

Special music was presented by Jessie Shupe, accompanied by Norma Sue Richardson, and Patsy and Shirley Rich, accompanied by Sally McWatters. Charlie Stone's room won the attendance prize.

Paul Kirk, who is employed by Stuart Land and Cattle Co. and living with his grandfather near Saltville, visited his mother, Mrs. W. L. Kirk, Saturday afternoon. He also visited his sister, June Kirk, and brother-in-law, Marvin Robinson, who are patients in Lee Memorial Hospital.

Floyd Umbarger has been ill at his home but is improving.

Eugene Lowman is ill at his home.

Opal Kirk is back in school after being ill at her home for some time.

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