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A BOY AND HIS DOG must not be separated. No matter if a mutt or pedigreed animal, a boy's most priceless possession is his dog. But in order to keep his favorite pet, parents must buy an annual dog license in Smyth County. This must be done in January and the licenses may be bought at the treasurer's office in the courthouse. January 31 comes on Sunday this year, so a day of grace has been given by Treasurer Byron Anderson. Licenses may be bought through this coming Monday without penalty. After that day a penalty will be added to the purchase price. Lanie K. Kestner of Buckeye Hollow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kestner, above, says his Daddy is going to get a license for his lovable pet.

LIFE IN SMYTH COUNTY

COMING EVENTS

- (All events not conducted for private gain. Columns close noon Wednesday.)
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 28**
OLD TIME GOSPEL SINGING will be held at Riverside School, 7:30 p. m. Miss Minnie Rouse is in charge of this program.
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 29**
POT LUCK SUPPER will be held at the Seven Mile Ford Schoolhouse.
- BAKE SALE**, sponsored by the North Holston PTA, will be held on the front of the Matheson General Stores.
- SATURDAY, JANUARY 30**
COMMUNITY SUPPER will be held at Sugar Grove High School, 6 p. m.
- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1**
MARION BOOK AND STUDY CLUB, regular meeting, 3:30 p. m., with Mrs. G. T. Culbert.
- OAK POINT 4-H CLUB** meets at Oak Point School at 1:30 p. m.
- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2**
Mrs. CARMEL H. D. CLUB meets, at 2:00 p. m. with Mrs. Roy Groseclose. Demonstration: "Jiffy Meals."
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3**
NEBO HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB meets at 1:30 p. m. with Mrs. Garland Cassell. Demonstration: "Jiffy Meals."
- FRANCIS HUDGINS CIRCLE**, Marion Baptist Church, will meet at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Roy Courtney. Cars will leave the church at 2:15 p. m.
- MATTIE MILLEN CIRCLE**, Marion Baptist Church, will meet with Mrs. Lucy D. Uroghart at 2:30 p. m.
- ANN JIBSON CIRCLE**, Marion Baptist Church, will meet at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. James E. Tindall. Cars will leave the church at 2:15 p. m.
- CIRCLE NO. 1**, Royal Oak Presbyterian Church, will meet at 3 p. m. with Mrs. Herbert Richardson. Mrs. M. D. Farley, co-hostess.
- CIRCLE NO. 2**, Royal Oak Presbyterian Church, will meet at 3 p. m. with Mrs. Hickman Buchanan. Mrs. J. S. Roberts, co-hostess.
- CIRCLE NO. 3**, Royal Oak Presbyterian Church, will meet at 3 p. m. with Mrs. J. F. Ward.
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4**
WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD of First Methodist Church meets with Mrs. J. Q. Donnelly, 7:30 p. m.
- ANN JIBSON 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 Mrs. James FitzGerald.
- HOME DEMONSTRATION** project leaders training meeting by Mrs. Ruth Jamison, House Furnishings Specialist, Blacksburg, Virginia. All leaders will be notified of meeting place.
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5**
ADWOLFE HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB will meet at 1:30 p. m. with Mrs. Fleet Wolfe. Demonstration: "Jiffy Meals."
- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6**
GREENWOOD-MT. ZION HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB meets at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. Thomas H. Wassum. Demonstration: "Jiffy Meals."
- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8**
WMS of Marion Baptist Church will meet at the church at 2:30 p. m.
- SMYTH COUNTY BRANCH, AAWW**, will meet at 7:30 p. m. at Marion College.
- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9**
LILA 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.

Mother's March on Polio To Be Held Friday Night

The Mother's March on Polio, benefit March of Dimes drive, will be held Friday night throughout the county, according to Gale Atkins, county chairman.

The march at Chilhowie, will begin at 7 p. m. with the church bells ringing and the fire whistle blowing to signal the start of the drive. The march is in charge of Mrs. Don Greever and Mrs. W. N. Greever. All workers are asked to report to the home of Mrs. Don Greever after the drive is concluded.

The march at Marion will begin with a parade at 5 p. m. with children from the town on bicycles and tricycles. The Marion High School Band will lead the parade. The children will form at the Royal Oak Presbyterian Church at 5:45 p. m. The church bells and fire siren will also signal the start of the march in Marion at 7 p. m., according to Mrs. Julian Collins, county chairman of the march.

Mrs. Everette Box is in charge of the Greenwood-Old Chilhowie and Mt. Zion march. The three communities will be combined for the final drive to complete the 1954 dimes drive. The precinct chairmen of the communities of Atkins and Groseclose will conduct the marches to be carried on in those communities.

The Saltville Mother's March will be held Sunday night with Mrs. J. W. Howard in charge. This drive along with the dance to be held at the school Saturday night will conclude the drive in Saltville. This march will also start at 7 p. m.

One Drive Per Year Plan Is Set Up at Harwood

Each year Harwood employees in both Marion plants have given excellent support to the various fund drives conducted in the community. Beginning with this year the employees will consolidate all of the drives into one.

It is evident that individual solicitations within the plant three or four times a year are costly both to the employees and to the company, officials of the new group said.

The Harwood Community Assistance Fund has been set up to eliminate all of the drives held in the plant during the year. The employees will be solicited for the fund once each year and will make this payment to the fund through an authorized payroll deduction. The money collected in this manner will be held in trust

Rural Retreat Is Seeking Change In Town Charter

Changes in the town charter for Rural Retreat have been started by a local bill in the General Assembly in Richmond. The proposed changes will modernize the charter for the town. Delegate Nat W. Pendleton of Wythe County is handling the situation, with town officials instigating the bill.

The primary changes involve election of councilmen and the mayor.

A staggered election of council is sought. Three of the councilmen will be named for four year terms at the election in June, with the other three for two years. Following this, three councilmen will be elected every two years, assuring three veteran councilmen at all times and knocking out the possibility of an entire membership of "green" men not familiar with town affairs.

A change is sought also in the election of the mayor, making his term four years instead of two.

J. L. Akers at present is mayor.



Dr. Rudolph Schulz

Dr. Rudolph George Schulz this Wednesday notified members of Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Marion that he has accepted their call to be their minister and will preach at the Marion church this Sunday.

Dr. Schulz has been pastor of the St. John Lutheran Church in Knoxville, Tenn., since 1943. At present he is serving as president of the Knoxville Conference of the Virginia Synod of the Lutheran Church.

Just when Dr. Schulz will be able to finish his duties in Knoxville and move to Marion has not been announced as yet.

He will succeed Dr. J. Luther Mauney, who resigned from the Marion pastorate in October to accept a call to Alexandria.

Dr. Schulz will be the speaker on the United Lutheran hour this Sunday. His sermon will be broadcast at 9 a. m. by WCYB in Bristol. His subject will be "Alternative to Human Helplessness."

Dr. Schulz married Miss Evelyn Ruth Hay in 1934 and is the father of three children, a son, Stephen John, who is in Gettysburg College, and a son and daughter, Phillip Hay and Evelyn Ann, who are high school students.

Dr. Schulz was born Oct. 1, 1895, in Chicago, Ill. He enlisted in the signal corps of the Illinois national guard in 1917 and served as a sergeant in the 108th Field Signal Battery from 1917 to 1919, participating in the offensives at St. Mihiel and Meuse and Arogonne. He was graduated from Carthage College, Carthage, Ill., in 1927 and from Hamma Divinity School, Springfield, Ohio, in 1929. He was awarded a Doctor of Divinity degree by Wittenberg College in 1936. He has also studied at Biblical Seminary in New York.

He was executive secretary of the Luther League of the Ohio Synod from 1923 to 1931. He was pastor of Hope Church, Toledo, Ohio, from 1931-1935. He returned to Carthage College to serve as president from 1935 until 1943, when he went to St. John in Knoxville.

Truck Mud Guards Sought by Rouse

Delegate Ray Rouse of Smyth County is seeking clearer windshields for motorists on wet, muddy days.

Delegate Rouse Monday introduced a bill requiring trucks

Schulz Accepts Lutheran School Fund Proposal Is Hit by Mauck

Smyth Would Lose About \$92,000

Concern over the possible change in distribution of state funds for school support was voiced by J. Leonard Mauck, superintendent of Smyth County Schools, Tuesday night in a talk at the Marion Kiwanis Club meeting at Hotel Lincoln.

Mr. Mauck stated that Smyth County stands to lose about \$92,000 each year if the proposal goes through.

Two years ago a committee was appointed to study the distribution of funds to schools, with an about face proposal coming before the General Assembly this year.

Certain funds in the past have been earmarked for counties with low ability to pay for teachers and facilities. This in the past has helped many of the rural areas in their school program.

Under the new plan, this would be changed. Wealthier counties and cities would begin getting a higher proportion than in the past. The major effort at present is to assist the lower economic group counties.

"Smyth County would get about \$74,000 less in the future than it did in the past year," Mr. Mauck stated. "And under the new budget proposal, it would amount to about \$92,000 less than we will get if the old method of distribution remains in force."

Richmond would get about \$200,000 more than it has in the past, he said. At present Richmond has a basic teacher salary of nearly \$3,000 while Smyth's basic salary is \$2,100.

This additional income would enable Richmond to up their salaries and building program, while Smyth and similar counties probably would have to curtail, Mauck pointed out.

"We are having a hard enough time securing teachers as it is and you can imagine what a problem we would face bidding against Richmond and other communities of this type when they could up their salaries still more while we would have our backs to the wall trying to meet the present scale."

The per pupil effort by Smyth County, compared to total income of the county, already is ahead of that of Richmond, he said.

Mr. Mauck stated that the proposal would vitally affect present school expansion plans. It might be necessary to change them completely if the committee recommendation goes through. A stiff fight by delegates and senators from the rural areas is expected in the General Assembly. The recommendation has not come to the floor as yet, being received by its legislative committee last Friday.

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Politics Get Started In Area, Jennings Is Strong



PAT JENNINGS of Smyth County is expected to get the Democratic nod for the Congressional race in the Ninth District this Saturday at the convention in Bristol. The popular young sheriff apparently will not have too much opposition, with the entire district probably backing his choice.

Smyth Democrats have lined up behind him in an effort to give this county its first representative in Washington since long before the turn of the century.

Mrs. Barnes Heads Nurses at Lee Memorial Hospital

Mrs. C. T. Barnes of Rich Valley has been named superintendent of nurses at Lee Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Barnes, the former Miss Bernice Clark, held that position at Lee Memorial from December, 1939, until 1943, when she entered the nurse's corps of the army.

She is a graduate of Richard Baker Hospital, Hickory, N. C., and took postgraduate work in surgery, obstetrics and ward management at Baylor University, Dallas, Texas. She

is expected to be good timber for bolstering the Democrats against just such a campaign as waged by Wampler the last time. The former Bristol newspaperman covered every section of the district in a whirlwind campaign which succeeded in wresting the post from the Democrats.

Jennings is of a similar type — with lots of personality, the vigor of youth on his side and with the backing of many young citizens.

Republicans of the district no doubt will again nominate Wampler at their convention, with the two young men getting squared away for a big battle.

Republicans moved into the Solid South two years ago, and are determined to try and widen the gap. This district is considered a good spot for consolidating their gains, with many long time Republicans remaining loyal to their party for years.

The Democrats, on the other hand, are determined to breach the break, likewise considering this district, along with the Sixth, as the vital point for halting such inroads.

Just what will be forthcoming in this probable battle is not known at present, with both sides sitting back and waiting for the first move. With both conventions on the calendar for the next few days, the powder keg cannot be sat upon much longer without an explosion, and vigorous action is expected by political observers early this spring.

Mrs. Bernice Clark Barnes served as operating room supervisor in two large hospitals before coming to Lee Memorial.

Mrs. Barnes entered the army as a second lieutenant, serving as operating room supervisor at Camp Pickett for 17 months. She was in the European theatre as an operating room supervisor for 17 months, receiving her discharge as a captain in January, 1946. She was married to Mr. Barnes in 1948. She is registered in North Carolina, Connecticut and Virginia.

Both political parties of Smyth County are to be active this week end, preparations getting underway for the General Election next November in the Fighting Ninth District of Virginia.

Democrats of Smyth are expected in large numbers at the district meeting Saturday in Bristol, with Sheriff Pat Jennings holding a big edge in the fight for the nomination as Democratic candidate for congressman from this district.

Meanwhile, Republicans of the county are to hold their mass meeting at 2 p. m. the same day at the courthouse to elect a chairman and precinct committeemen and delegates to their district convention in Bristol Feb. 6.

The 40 Democratic delegates to the Bristol convention Saturday, their alternates and many other loyal Democrats are expected to attend the district meeting in Bristol — all backing their "favorite son" candidate for Congress.

Jennings has gained in strength throughout the district within recent weeks, and no strong candidate stands in his way at present. Two possible candidates have dropped out, and this Thursday morning it was being rumored all over the district that there would be no opposition other than possibly token at the convention in Bristol.

The young sheriff and his backers have canvassed the entire district within recent weeks, with most Democrats contacted indicating they desired a young, strong candidate. The smart of the defeat of their elderly candidate, Senator Mel Long of Wise County, by vigorous Congressman Bill Wampler at the polls two years ago is still remembered by the Democrats.

Thirty-four year old Jennings is expected to be good timber for bolstering the Democrats against just such a campaign as waged by Wampler the last time. The former Bristol newspaperman covered every section of the district in a whirlwind campaign which succeeded in wresting the post from the Democrats.

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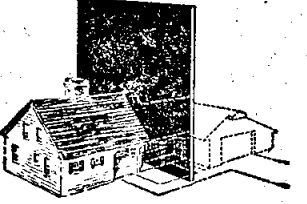
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For Sale (3)

FOR SALE — 1941 Chevrolet. Good condition. Radio, heater. Howard Brown, Sugar Grove, 280 after 5 p. m. 12-17-TF
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Cards of Thanks (12)

We wish to express our most sincere thanks to the many friends and neighbors of our families for the lovely floral offerings, the heartfelt sympathy and the many kindnesses shown us during the illness and death of our mother, Mrs. Charles T. Cormany. The Children.
I would like to take this means of expressing my sincere appreciation to my friends and neighbors for the many wonderful acts of kindness and sympathy shown me during the illness and death of my beloved wife, Mary Sue Troutman. I also want to express

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We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their every act of sympathy and respect shown during the illness and death of our husband and father. Also for the beautiful flowers. **Mrs. Ray Hubble and Family.**

Special Notices (14)

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County of Smyth, on the 2nd day of January 1954.
J. L. Goins, Complainant
Marion, Virginia
against
Irene Williamson Goins, Defendant
180 Poplar Street
Mt. Airy, N. C.

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii on the grounds of desertion. An affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant Irene Williamson Goins is not resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that she do appear within ten days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect her 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:
Charles H. Funk p.q.
Marion, Virginia
Lloyd E. Currin, Clerk 1-7-4tp

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

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State Asked to Secure US Approval for Parking Lots

Marion Town Council members January 15 voted to ask the State Highway Department to secure the approval of the US Bureau of Public Roads of the plan for providing off street parking for North Main Street.

A letter from the State Highway Department stating that the proposed lots would provide more space than on street parking and that the department could assist in the purchase but not the developing of the lots was read. The proposal calls for four lanes of traffic with no parking allowed between the curbs.

Council also voted approval of an application for federal funds, which had been sent to Mayor Walter Jackson in Florida.

Glynn Barranger of the firm of Mattern and Mattern made a report on the proposed 100,000 gallon tank at the Cornett spring stating that more protection would be afforded the town if the tank were put at the edge of town and were made large enough to supply enough water to fight a major fire.

Council instructed Engineer James W. Ritter to construct a weir at the spring to determine the exact amount of water available.

Reports of the mayor, the treasurer, the recorder and the engineer were accepted.

At the close of business Dec. 31, the town had \$84,337.96 in cash in banks and in the office. Receipts for December totaled \$25,725.78. Disbursements amounted to \$21,563.59.

Council voted to offer H. C. Sturgill \$50, which was the same offer made the former owner, A. H. Haulsee, for a triangle of land on South Church Street.

Engineer Ritter was authorized to offer to A. N. Ayers the rent of the house and land at the Cornett springs for \$500

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Firemen Elect Year's Officers

Members of the Marion Volunteer Fire Department met at 7:30 p. m. Friday night at their club room in the Town Hall and reelected the same officers who served for the past year.

Bill Johnson is president; Frank Copenhagen, vice president; Eugene Catron, secretary and treasurer; K. K. Snider, chief; Joe Stephenson, assistant chief; Engle Hutton, captain; Ernest Snider, first lieutenant; Charles Wheeler, second lieutenant; John Burkett, George DeBord and Bill Hubble, custodians of equipment; Richard Mercer, Fred Poe, Charles Snider, James Webster and Stuart Stephenson, entertainment committee.

The group voted to redecorate the club room in the municipal building.

The report for the year showed that no major fires have occurred in Marion during the past year.

Plans for the final installation of the fire siren on the high school were made. The additional signal should be working by this week end.

The group also discussed the \$500 from the Nannie Copenhagen estate was put into the endowment fund.

The engineer was directed to notify Matson Drive residents who have fences on the right of way that they must remove them within 15 days or they will be removed by the town with the cost to be collected as any other town tax.

Present were Vice Mayor K. K. Snider; Councilmen Walter Francis, W. J. Andrews, Beatrice Gwyn, Wythe Hull, Joe Groseclose; Recorder H. P. Gills; Engineer Ritter, and Attorney Hoge.

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plans for the annual Valentine Birthday banquet to be held, Feb. 22.

McCain Goes To Church in Florida

The Rev. Carl R. McCain who has been assistant pastor of the Royal Oak Presbyterian Church for the past 18 months left this Wednesday to accept a pastorate in Brooksville, Fla.

Mr. McCain's work in Marion was centered around four chapels — Matson, P. Nicks Creek and Wall Creek. In Brooksville, he will be pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. McCain is the former Miss Jackie Lowman.

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Recreation Center Will Have Full Time Program

A full time recreation program at the Community Center will start next Monday, says Director Jack Musten.

The center will open each day at 12:30 p. m. and remain open until 5:30 in the afternoon. Closing hour for Thursday nights will be 9 p. m., for Friday nights 10 p. m. and for Saturday nights 11 p. m. Plans for hobby clubs are being formulated at present and will be announced as soon as they have been completed.

Also in the planning stage are schedules for recreation for pre-school children.

In cooperation with Coach Charles Franzen and the public schools a Little Basketball League is being set up. Games will be played on Saturday mornings.

A complete schedule of activities will be published in next week's paper.

Marion Band Will Play For Polio

Concert to Be Given Sunday

Featuring several local performers, the Marion High School concert band will present a special March of Dimes concert this Sunday at 4 p. m. at the high school auditorium.

Roland F. Seitz's familiar march "Salutation" will open the program. Bach's "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee" and "Myrmidon" Overture by Carl Frangkiser will follow, and then the program will move to a lighter vein with the march "Little Giant", "The Syncopated Clock" and "Little Suite for Band".

The Marion Junior Band will be represented by a clarinet

quartet composed of Barbara Jane Crowder, Jean Meek, Betty Ann Mauck and Carolyn Dungan, playing a popular arrangement of "Folk Song Blues".

A march of "Dixieland" style will be heard as the concert band plays "When the Saints Go Marching In", which will be followed by "Deep River Rhapsody" and "Delmar".

One of the highlights of the afternoon's performance will be the playing of the familiar "Dragnet" background music as Ralph Lincoln, Pat Jennings Scott Pugh, Mrs. Walter G. Adams, Bill Hubble and Veron Riddle act out the skit "St. George and the Dragonet".

This will be followed by the concert band playing "Over the Rainbow" and "Deep Purple". The march, "Trombones Triumphant", will feature the trombone section with band accompaniment.

J. P. Beverley, local trumpet player, will join the band in presenting a swing tune "At the Gremlin Ball". A large crowd is expected for this special concert, and all proceeds will go to the local March of Dimes drive. Admission is 60c for adults, and 30c for students. Tickets will be on sale at the door, or may be se-

cured in advance from members of the Marion Junior Chamber of Commerce, City Drug Store or Williams Drug Store. The doots will open at 3:15 p. m.

Rousing up during the halt, she got out of the car. Before she could return, her father left. He thought she was still asleep, and he did not talk to her or look back.

Lt. Walter Boone and Ed Atkins of the Marion town police posted watch for the Bassett man's car on the outskirts of Marion. They stopped the green Packard sedan, and Boone asked the man his name.

"C. H. Burrage of Bassett," was the reply.

"Who's been riding with you?"

"Nobody but me and my daughter on the back seat — where is she?" the man screamed looking back at the rear seat while talking.

Lt. Boone hastened to explain to the worried man what had occurred.

"I've heard of this happening to other folks, but never dreamed that it would happen to me," the thankful Bassett citizen said as he was turning around to go back and pick up his daughter.



PVT. HARRY CLIFTON POE, son of Mr. and Mrs. Camet Poë and husband of Thelma Blevins Poe of Marion, entered the armed forces May 14, 1953. He received his basic training at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., and is now serving with the Service Btry. at Ladd Air Force Base, Fairbanks, Alaska.

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Rainy Days Present Problems for Teachers



Let's listen to some music — Mrs. Grant Lindsey, sixth grade teacher says as she attempts to enliven gloomy rainy classroom schedule.

Still raining?—John Long Jr.

a heavy dew results in the new floors being covered with footprints. The boys and girls took off their boots and overshoes all the way from the outside doors on up to the second floor, in their respective rooms.

at its worst, a trip was made to the new Marion Elementary School to see just what goes on during one of these days. Normal classroom work was in progress with a few new ideas being tossed in to help make the most of the bad day.

First there was the problem of the mud. The school grounds are still in a muddy state and

Beth Barret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barret, was all tangled up like so many other girls, trying to get her muddy boots off without dirtying up her other clothes. The boys — well, they just yanked and off they came,

with mud slithering everywhere. Then they wiped their muddy hands on their blue jeans, took their seats and looked around to see "what's cooking?"

Classes began at a normal pace. Spelling, reading, geography and other studies were taken up in the many classrooms. But long before recess the restless stirring began. "Stop looking out the window, it's still raining." "Now you boys quit laughing at Lucy's wet hair. Yours looks just as bad." "Henry, do you want to go to the office and get something for your cold?" "Jean, you can take off those wet shoes and sit next to the radiator until your socks dry."

These were the comments of the teachers.

And the students. They not only made no constructive comments but began drifting into a silent mental fog which besets youngsters in a warm room on a rainy day.

Mrs. Grant Lindsey, veteran sixth grade teacher, had the answer for this. She hurriedly pulled out an album of folk dance records and began explaining the dances to the children, bringing them back to the classrooms.

Another group already was taking advantage of the folk dances. They were in the new gymnasium stomping away and learning while doing, an educational recreation period.

Meanwhile, lunch time finally arrived and what a break that was for both pupil and

teacher. Jabber, jabber, jabber, the noise was deafening in the cafeteria and the children let off steam while stoking away loads of hot food. Cafeteria employees have found that on wet days the boys and girls love their food as hot as possible, even though they have been in warm buildings all morning. They generally are noisier on these days, but at the same time clean their plates better.

The afternoon period begins — the long time between the noon hour and the final bell. Many of the students get a break by going to band practice for the final period. This helps pass the time and helps them get in the groove for their next public appearance.

Finally the last bell rings. Textbooks are closed, the bored boys and girls go home to harass their parents while remaining indoors and wishing they were out and the teachers head for the nearest aspirin bottle. Another rainy day has come to an end.

Final Events Slated For Polio Drive

The final events to raise money for the March of Dimes will be held this week.

The St. Clair Creek Home Demonstration Club, the Riverside Parent Teacher Association and the Val Deer Grange

will sponsor a singing convention at Riverside School Thursday at 7:30 p. m. for the March of Dimes.

Scheduled to take part are the Macedonia Choir under the direction of Jimmie McClure, the Gospel Four, Jimmie Quartet, Clay Rowland's Quartet and O. V. Sutrgill's Quartet.

Cakes, pies, and candy will be auctioned by Sheriff W. B. Jennings.

The Furnace Hill community will have a pot luck supper the Friday starting at 5:30 p. m. at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Killinger. Mrs. Ray Anderson is in charge of arrangements. Games, cake walks and other contests will follow the supper. All proceeds will go to the polio fund.

This Saturday at 8 p. m. residents of Saltville will have a round and square dance at the high school. A television set will be given away during the evening. Mrs. R. P. Glenwater is chairman of arrangements.

The Marion Rotary Club is in charge of soliciting funds from business firms in town.

Fund drive officials state that collections are coming in satisfactorily, but they urge everyone to contribute either through the Mothers' March, the family envelopes, the tube containers or business solicitations so that Smyth will oversubscribe its quota.

Ugh, those muddy boots — Beth Barret



Swing your partner — indoor recreation



Hot lunches — boy, what a break.



Lots of noise — the band practicing

Rainy days present problems to most everyone — the business man, farmer, doctor, industrial employees and housewives trying to keep the mud off their newly waxed floors or bright rugs.

But the problems facing these people are not nearly as acute as the ones facing school children and teachers. Classroom routine is broken up completely, as the restless students try to buckle down to their studies and harassed teachers do everything in the books in an attempt to keep the boys and girls interested.

There is something about a rainy day which just plain

makes it hard for the boys and girls to get down to work. And when the weather closes in like it did last week, the problem is much worse.

Dreamy eyes stare out the window, hoping to see the rain turn to snow. Steaming outer-garments in the cloakrooms drip all day with a steady nerve racking regularity.

Youngsters who so far have dodged a cold suddenly begin whooping at the back of the room, their eyes and noses dripping as their spirits sink lower and lower.

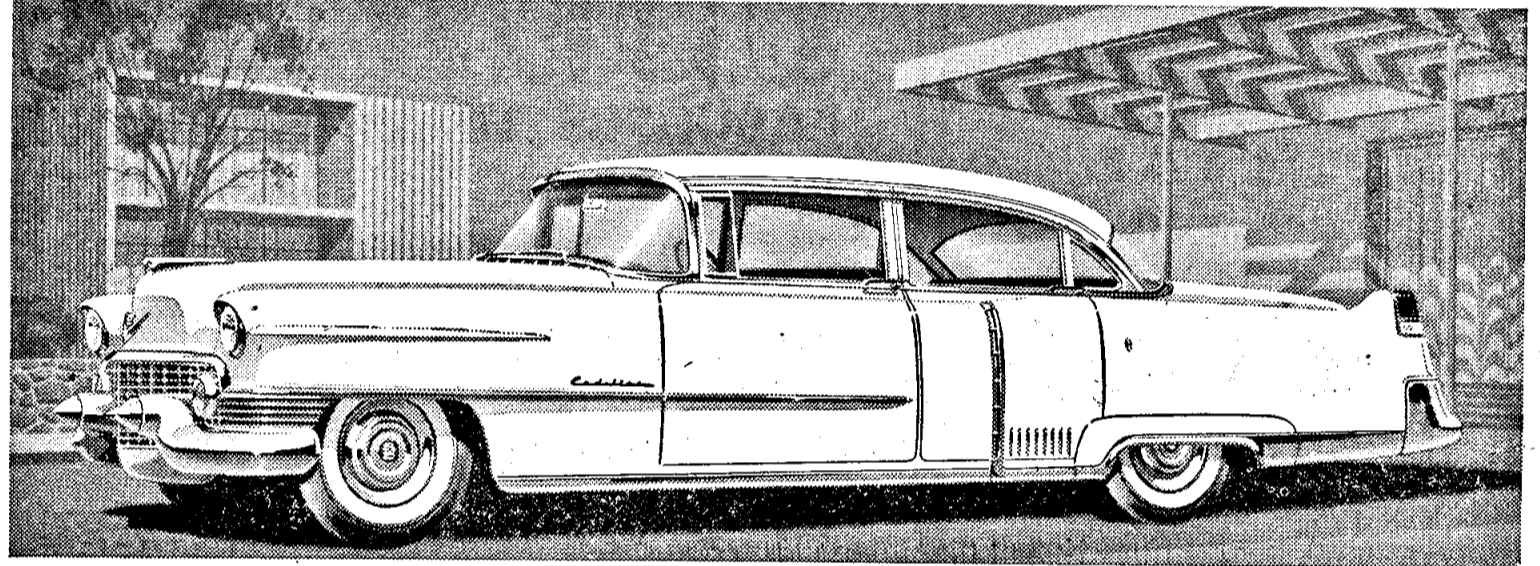
Youngsters who normally are eager to learn what the natives eat in far off Pakistan

and how many apples Farmer Jones has left after selling 34 per cent of his crop to Storekeeper Smith suddenly bury their heads in their books and gloomily refuse to think about anything in particular.

The boys pull tricks they wouldn't dream of attempting other days. The girls squeak and complain bitterly that the boys are teasing them.

And the teachers, down in the dumps themselves, rack their brains for new ideas and anxiously look at the clock every few minutes, thinking "will the final bell never ring."

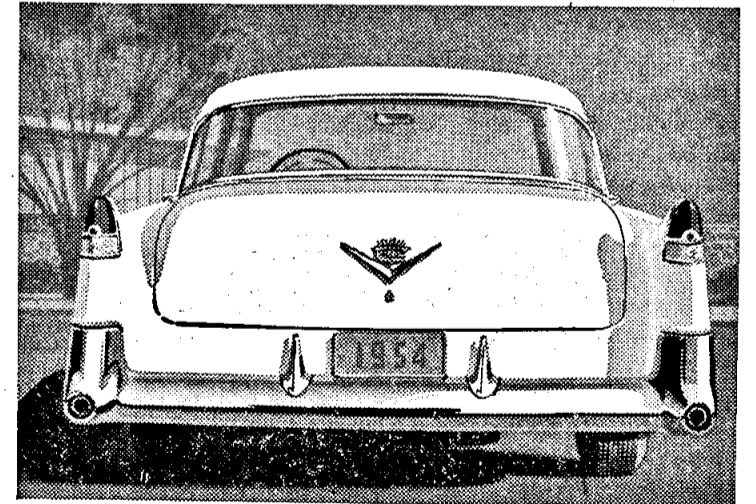
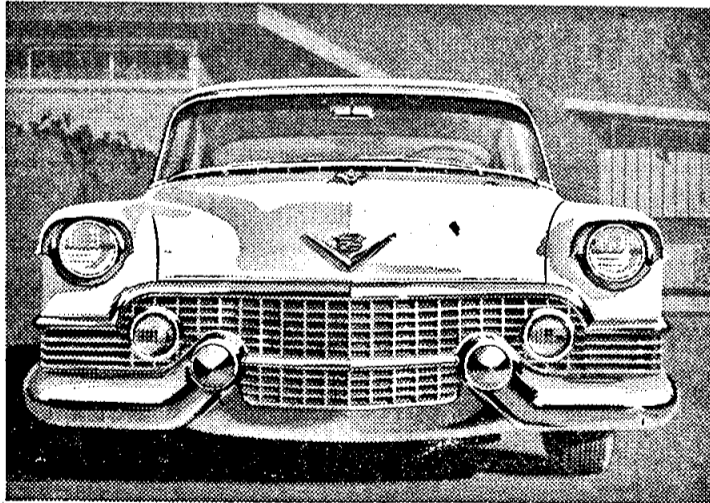
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Saltville, Jan. 25 — Harold G. Grogg, airman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Grogg, returned to San Diego, Calif., recently after completing a six month tour of duty in the Far East aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Kearsarge. Mrs. W. L. Lee had as her visitors Sunday Mr. and Mrs. George Scott of Bristol and Mrs. Paul Taylor and Mrs. John Chapman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Roberts, W. R. Roberts and Miss Nell Roberts visited Mrs. Edith Millenger, who is a patient at the Crippled Children's Hospital in Roanoke, Sunday. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Haga Jr. of Roanoke.

Pvt. James M. Booth Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Booth, recently volunteered for the marines. For friends who wish to write to him his address is PLT 30, "C" Co., 1st Rec. Trng. Bn., Parris Island, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Canter and children, Joy and Ann, of Augusta, Ga., visited his mother, Mrs. P. C. Canter, Sunday. Mrs. Fay Goodman of Chilhowie spent Monday of this week with her mother, Mrs. Edd Wix, and family.

James Millenger has returned home after spending a few days with his mother in Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barker, Mrs. Roy Macon of McCready and Miss Agnes Harlib of Clinchburg and Wayne Barker visited Fred Barker, who is a patient in the Veterans Hospital in Roanoke.

Mrs. Turner Henegar visited on Smoky Row Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Roberts visited Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Haga Sr. of Abingdon last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fields have returned home after spending a vacation with her sister, Mrs. J. B. Patterson, Mr. Patterson and family of Central City, Ky.

Jerry Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Roberts, was a patient at the Thomas K. McKee Hospital last week.

Miss Patsy Fields and Jerry Fields have been visiting their aunt, Mrs. Lewis Campbell, for a few days.

Mrs. Guss Henegar of McCready visited her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Kelly, and family Sunday.

Out of town relatives and friends attending the funeral of R. E. Clear Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Taylor, Beckley, W. Va.; Mrs. Susie Taylor and Miss Lila Taylor, Bluefield, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Coffey, Susanne and Billy, Paul Clear, Miss Hazel Clear, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hurt, Mrs. T. J. Hurt and daughters and Mrs. Charles Hurt, all of Bristol, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Clear and Patsy, Radford; Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Frye, Chilhowie; Mr. and Mrs. George Kinser and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hudson and family, Pulaski; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clear, Richlands; Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Clear, Marion; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mathenia, Cleve, Leonard and Lewis Patrick, all of Abbs Valley.

Miller was backing out of his driveway across the road when Billings came around a curve about 300 feet away. Billings went across the shoulder of the road, hit the Miller garage and a pile of lumber nearby and crashed into the spring house.

Miller stated that he had pulled back to the right side of the road and stopped when Billings blew his horn, with room for Billings to go to the left. Billings said that he thought Miller was going to halt on the left side of the road and he was trying to go to the right. No criminal case, Judge W. V. Birchfield decided.

Domestic relations and juvenile cases completed the day.

Miss Bundy gave a talk to the girls who are working on serving and cooking and Miss Roberts spoke to the girls who are taking electricity.

Miss Bundy gave a demonstration on "How to Set the Table."

Edward Worley also gave a demonstration.

Saltville Youths Are Found Guilty Of Accessory Jobs

Three young men of the Saltville community, Wednesday in Trial Justice Court were given six months and \$30 and costs each on three charges of stealing accessories from automobiles in used car lots in Marion.

One of the youths confessed, implicating the other two, who immediately applied their cases.

Meilyn Lewis did the confessing. He is on probation in Washington County and probably will have this probation revoked, Lewis told the court that he, Richard Boardwine and George W. Rickman had been implicated in taking spotlights, rear view mirrors and such from cars parked in the used car lots of Smyth County Motors, Marion Motors and Blevins Motors in Marion.

Lewis stated that the trio would come to Marion and that he would do the actual stealing while the other two waited in the car. He said that they gave him whiskey for doing the job, but no money.

Town Officer Fred White told of arresting the group at Smyth County Motors on the night of Jan. 21. He said that he and Officer Curtis Wolfe noticed a vehicle in the lot, which moved off as if to leave when they pulled up.

Boardwine and Lewis were in the vehicle and Rickman was found in another vehicle parked on the lot, according to White. Found also in the car with Rickman was a screwdriver and a pair of pliers, said by Lewis to have been taken with the young man when he left the Boardwine car, saying that he was going to "get a mirror" or spotlight.

Two screws which held a spotlight on the car also were found on the floor of the vehicle.

In the Boardwine car were a spotlight, mirror, hose and can. Found in a police car after the youths were brought to jail was a thermostat from a car heater. The heater on the car where Rickman was found had been tampered with, according to the officers.

James Miller, 19, and James Miller, 69, St. Clair's Creek community, were found not guilty of reckless driving. Charges were brought by Trooper S. M. Norris after a crash in front of the Miller home Jan. 4.

Miller was backing out of his driveway across the road when Billings came around a curve about 300 feet away. Billings went across the shoulder of the road, hit the Miller garage and a pile of lumber nearby and crashed into the spring house.

Miller stated that he had pulled back to the right side of the road and stopped when Billings blew his horn, with room for Billings to go to the left. Billings said that he thought Miller was going to halt on the left side of the road and he was trying to go to the right. No criminal case, Judge W. V. Birchfield decided.

Domestic relations and juvenile cases completed the day.

RUTH ROBERTS IS CHOSEN PRESIDENT OF VALLEY 4-H CLUB

Ruth Roberts was elected president of the Rich Valley 4-H Club at a recent meeting. Lou Jones was elected vice president. Business was discussed, and it was decided that the boys' club will meet at night.

Miss Bundy gave a talk to the girls who are working on serving and cooking and Miss Roberts spoke to the girls who are taking electricity.

Miss Bundy gave a demonstration on "How to Set the Table."

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SALTVILLE MAN IS IN CARIBBEAN AREA

Units of the Atlantic Fleet Amphibious Force are engaged in Operation Lant TraEx 2-54.

Serving aboard the attack cargo ship USS Thuban is William D. Eastridge, seaman, USN, son of Mr and Mrs. David C. Eastridge and husband of Mrs. Mary S. Eastridge, all of Saltville.

The amphibious training exercise involves nearly 14,000 Navy and Marine personnel.

Mrs. Julie Ross Is Hostess To Legion Auxiliary

The Martin-Ross American Legion Auxiliary 345 held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Julie Ross Tuesday night. The group voted to support the March of Dimes and will serve the Rye Valley Ruritans Feb. 1.

The hostess was assisted in serving by her niece, Mrs. Francis Davis.

ONE VACANCY TO BE FILLED IN METHODIST KINDERGARTEN HERE

The kindergarten board of directors at the First Methodist Church in Marion announced that on February 1 there will be one vacancy in the week day kindergarten at the church.

Pollen May Date Ice-Age Forest in Saltville Area

Tiny fossil pollen grains from a Saltville marsh may enable University of Tennessee scientists to trace and date, a Southern Appalachian Ice Age forest which sheltered hundreds of mastodons, elephants, elk — and perhaps even some prehistoric men.

Rufus W. Pickle, Saltville collector is assisting Harold K. Brooks, U-T paleontologist in the first scientific study of the Saltville peat bog. Brooks explains that from the sequence of the pollen in the samples, university scientists can get a reasonably accurate record of the vegetation and climate which, in turn, controlled the lives and habits of animals and men.

Preliminary field studies were conducted during Christmas holidays on the Smyth County salt marsh, now owned by Mathieson Alkali Works. The research revealed an ancient charcoal-marked campsite — 15 inches below the surface of a former salt lake drained in 1847. Dr. Brooks reports that while definite dating may have to wait upon further studies, the camp could not have been made by modern man.

Three Arrested For Series Of Marion Break-Ins

Three youths, Ives Norman, 19, Ellery Quillen, 20, and Charles Brown, 18, have been arrested for a series of recent break-ins in Marion.

Norman and Quillen have been in the Smyth County jail for several days. Brown was picked up Wednesday afternoon in Roanoke. This Thursday morning Lt. Walter Boone of the Marion Town Police and Deputies Jake Irvin and Tom Dolinger of the Smyth County Sheriff's department went to Roanoke to bring Brown to face charges in Smyth County Trial Justice Court.

Norman has confessed to breaking into the Marion Grammar School, where \$50 was taken, into the Lincoln Theatre, where \$3 or \$4 was taken, and into Carnegie High School, where \$2 or \$3 of March of Dimes money was taken. These robberies occurred the night of Jan. 6.

The trio is also accused of breaking into Marion High School, Arnold and Conner Motor Co. and the Smyth Farm Supply Co.

Quillen is now on five years' probation from Smyth County Circuit Court for breaking into the Home Construction Co. and for stealing Bill Halsey's car.

Three Directors Chosen for Chest

Three new directors were elected at the annual meeting of the Marion Community Chest Tuesday evening at the town hall.

These directors, who will serve three year terms, are Fred Graybeal, Miss Carolyn Sheffey and Legard Johnston.

They will meet this Thursday afternoon to elect officers for the coming year.

A vast profusion of fossilized animal bones makes up the bottom layer of the Saltville marsh. Chiefly composed of mastodon and mammoth, the collected specimens also show the presence of elk and, says Dr. Brooks, "we may yet find such animals as the giant beaver in the peat."

Emphasizing that conclusions are dangerous until the long-time study is completed, Dr. Brooks points out that pollen analysis thus far shows that a vast evergreen forest covered the area when Saltville lake first became popular with Pleistocene animals over 15,000 years ago. And, affected by the ice flows from the frozen north, the southland was much cooler and more moist than it is today.

The study will include a detailed analysis of the fossil pollen found in all layers of the Saltville deposit, and it is a long-term investigation, according to the U-T scientist. To find additional answers, the scientists will return to the deposit this spring and summer.



SEEKING BLOOD — Boy Scouts of Marion this week end will assist the Smyth County Red Cross Chapter in seeking blood donors for the visit next Tuesday of the bloodmobile. Scouts will canvass the town and surrounding communities asking help in the big program. Blood collected will be used for treatment of patients in hospitals and for the coordinated National Polio Foundation-Red Cross gamma globulin drive for halting polio epidemics. The quota for this visit is 100 pints. All desiring to donate blood who are not contacted by Boy Scouts are asked to call the Red Cross office, telephone 2-0021, Friday and Monday mornings. The two scouts above, Pat Scott, left, David Scallise, right, have just succeeded in signing up the first volunteer, L. H. McMillan.

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

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Chilhowie, Jan. 25 — Mrs. Charles Baker and Osler Baker returned Thursday to Donaldsonville, Ga., where they will spend the remainder of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Maust visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bulla, in High Point, N. C., last week.

Mrs. E. V. Greever is the guest of her sister, Mrs. V. M. Long, and Mr. Long in Richmond. Mrs. Greever has been in Richmond for the past two weeks.

Mrs. A. E. Brown is a patient in the Abingdon Hospital. Mrs. Ray Merchant, Mrs. Arthur Mabe and Mrs. E. B. Lee were guests Saturday of Mrs. Dick Kegley in Bristol.

Mr. and Mrs. John DeBusk are spending several days in Florida. They will also visit with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steagall in Ozark, Ala., before returning home.

Mrs. John Lynch Sanders and son, Frank, were in Roanoke last week to attend a meeting of the Virginia Dairyman's Association.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Huff, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gunter and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Yates of Abingdon, attended the inauguration of Governor Stanley in Richmond last week. They stopped in Roanoke en route home to attend a dairyman's association meeting at Hotel Roanoke.

Mrs. Margaret Madison was the guest last week of her daughter, Mrs. George Gill, and her family in Washington, D. C.

Miss Ann Curtis Allison of Glade Spring was the guest Friday night of her cousin, Miss Susan Copenhaver.

Alc Roy Love of Turner Air Force Base, Ga., spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Love.

Howard Minniek returned home Monday after being a patient for several days in a Marion hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kelly and daughters, Ann and Linda, of Johnson City, Tenn., were guests Sunday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sherwood, and his mother, Mrs. Frank Kelly.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Murray were Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pierce and Mr. and Mrs. W. Gordon Echols.

Mr. and Mrs. James Walton and daughter, "Debbie," who have been residing in Decatur, Ala., are now in Chilhowie and are making their home, temporarily, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Walton.

Mrs. W. T. Eads is a patient in the Abingdon Hospital.

Officers Installed For 3 Granges At Riverside Meeting

Officers for the Val Deer, the Cox's Chapel and Carsonville Granges were installed at a meeting following a buffet supper last Thursday night at Riverside School.

Installing officer was Earl Shiflet, deputy of the Virginia State Grange, and Z. M. K. Fulton, master of the Virginia State Grange. They were assisted by Benjamin Fulton as martial and Elizabeth Fulton as regalia bearer.

Mr. Shiflet then conducted an officers' training school. A feature of the meeting was the formation of the Mountain Empire Pomona Grange, with 41 charter members. The organization will meet quarterly.

Joe Cox is master, Don Catron secretary, Mrs. Z. M. K. Fulton lecturer, and other officers will be elected at a later meeting.

Approximately 50 people were present for the affair.

Cleghorn Valley

MALISSA BOWMAN

PHONE CHILHOWIE 2120
Cleghorn Valley, Jan. 25 — Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Martin returned home last week after spending several days visiting their daughter, Mrs. Frank Peake, and Mr. Peake in Baltimore, Md.

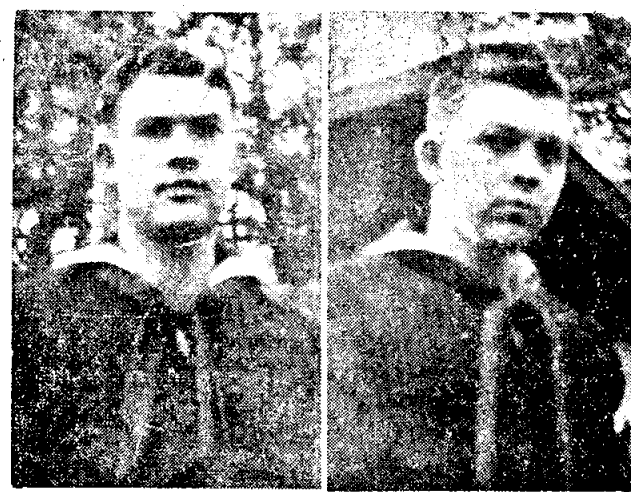
Mrs. Jimmy Stamper of Saltville was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Stamper.

Lewis Heath of the U. S. Navy, who is assigned to the Nantahala A060, which is now docked at Portsmouth, spent the week end at home.

Mrs. L. S. Blevins went to Charlottesville to receive another treatment last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bowman were dinner guests at the home of Mrs. J. A. Bowman Sunday.

Mrs. E. E. Vaught spent last week end at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. P. Huffman, of Cambria.



R. J. HARRIS JR. J. A. HARRIS

BROTHERS IN SERVICE are R. J. Harris Jr. and J. A. Harris, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Harris of Saltville. R. J. has served three years in the US Navy aboard the USS Salem. J. A. is serving his third year. He is also aboard the USS Salem.

"School Improvement" Is Theme of PTA in Allison Gap

The Allison Gap PTA, under the direction of Mrs. Hannah Harris, president, has selected "School Improvement" as its program theme for the year 1953-54.

Various activities have been carried out for the first half of the year toward the accomplishment of this objective.

Four regular meetings and various committee meetings have been held. The school has been equipped with a duplicator. Medical and first aid supplies have been added to clinic room.

The welfare committee has collected, mended and distributed approximately 50 garments and other items of clothing. The program committee has arranged one pay program — namely, sponsored the annual American Legion banquet.

The organization now has 127 paid-up members.

At the regular meetings programs correlated with regular class-room activities, good citizenship and seasonal themes have been presented. In addition there has been one outside speaker.

The ground work has been laid for a full and active program for the remainder of the year.

Mrs. P. L. Cole Is Hostess to Club

The Barrack Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. P. L. Cole Jan. 22 with 11 members present.

Mrs. Reid Love, president, was in charge. The devotional was given by Mrs. Cole. Roll call was answered by telling new vegetables and fruits members plan to grow this year.

Mrs. Love appointed Mrs. Kyle Widner, Mrs. Weaver Cole and Mrs. Young Love to name club goals for the coming year. New year books were distributed by the president. Meeting places and hostesses were decided by the group.

Miss Irene Cole, garden leader, gave the demonstration on "Planning the Year Round Garden."

The hostess, assisted by her daughter, Miss Rachel Cole, served refreshments.

Mrs. Kyle Widner will be hostess at the February meeting.

Spring Sale Plans Made at Chamber Committee Meeting

Details for the spring sale were worked out at the meeting of the Retail Trades Committee Wednesday night in the chamber office.

It was also decided that the Retail Merchants would have a luncheon meeting at the Lincoln Hotel Feb. 24 with the Chamber of Commerce to furnish the meal.

Present for the meeting were W. W. Scott Jr., chairman; Mrs. James H. Dickenson, Sam Peavler, Corrie Forrest and Horace Myers.

Farm Bureau Heads Make Plans For Membership Drive

Members of the Smyth County Farm Bureau membership committee and other officers attended a district meeting last week at Wytheville to discuss plans for the 1954 drive for new members.

The group heard members of the Virginia Farm Bureau staff discuss ways of enlisting largest possible number of new members. The purpose of the drive will be to give every eligible farmer an opportunity to join.

The plan as discussed suggests that the county be worked by districts, with one person from each district serving as captain of membership work in his area. The captain will attempt to get a chairman in each community in his district, and these community chairmen will enlist volunteer workers.

These captains and workers will then meet to assign roads which will be worked house to house. Each membership team will have a section of road in his area in which he will contact farmers and offer them the opportunity to join the organization.

The major effort will be exerted all over the county on one day, which will be designated as Farm Bureau Day. The date has not been established in the county as yet.

Harold Walker, president of the Smyth County Farm Bureau, said that next to the work of the resolutions committee, the membership has the most important job to be done all year. He said, "The strength of any legislative organization lies in a large and informed membership. We hope to meet our quota this year."

Those attending the meeting from the county were Paul McKee, James H. Greever, Mr. and Mrs. Horace McClellan, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Atwell, Alvis Atwell, H. T. Walker, Neal Echols, Millard and Wilard Hopkins.

Marion Firemen Answer 3 Calls

Marion Volunteer Firemen answered three calls during the week, with none of the fires doing much damage.

Last Thursday at 2:10 p. m. a flue fire at the home of Mrs. Jack Wright on Pendleton Street was controlled before it did any damage.

Friday at 9:30 a. m. the firemen extinguished a trash fire in the basement of the John Olinger home on Goolsby Street before it did any damage.

A fire in the furnace pipe in the basement of the Hugh Groseclose home on Pendleton Street brought out the department Sunday morning about 11 o'clock. Floors and wiring were damaged.

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CAROLYN LEGARD IS MEMBER OF SORORITY

Miss Carolyn Legard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Legard, of Marion has recently become a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma, a social sorority at Madison College, Harrisonburg. She is a sophomore, majoring in physical education.

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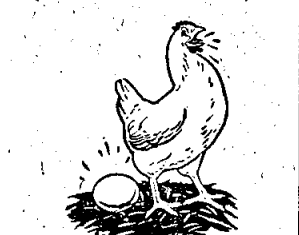
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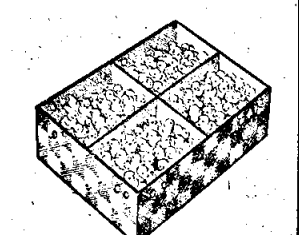
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Obituaries

Mrs. Martha J. Peake
Mrs. Martha Jane Peake, 53, died in a Marion hospital Sunday.
Surviving are her husband, O. R. Peake, Marion; four daughters, Miss Irene Peake, Miss Gladys Peake, Miss Ruth Peake, all of Marion; Mrs. Fred Lyles, Chilhowie; six sons, Elmer Peake, Earl Peake, Jim Peake, Mack Peake, all of Marion; Paul Peake, Chilhowie; John Peake, Baltimore, Md.; three brothers, Ira Hall, Phoenix, Ariz.; Mack Hall,

and Vernon Hall, both of Marion.
Funeral service was held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at the Clegg-Rural Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Violet A. Pennington

Mrs. Violet Amelia Pennington, 38, died in a Marion hospital Monday.

She is survived by her husband, William Virgil Pennington, Wytheville; one daughter, Miss Wanda Pennington, Wytheville; her mother, Mrs. Edith Gullicson, Preston, Wash.; one brother, Ed Gullicson, Bellingham, Wash.

Funeral service was held at 2 p. m. Wednesday at the Barnett Funeral Chapel. Burial was in the Roselawn Cemetery.

Mrs. S. T. Atkins

Mrs. S. T. Atkins, 77, died in a local hospital Wednesday night.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Sam Cress, Atkins; Mrs. Luther Jennings, Arista, W. Va.; Mrs. Irene Huddle, Kingsport, Tenn.; three sons, Frank Atkins and Harlow Atkins, both of Marion; Talmadge Atkins, Wytheville; four sisters, Mrs. Letitia Green, Oak Park, Ill.; Mrs. Lula Vaught, Blue Springs; Mrs. Myrtle Steffey, Elizabethton, Tenn.; Miss Muncie Horne, Blue Springs; four brothers, Ellis C. Horne and W. W. Horne, both of Bristol, Tenn.; J. R. Horne, Marion; John D. Horne, Blue Springs; her stepmother, Mrs. Kate Horne, Blue Springs; 16 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral service will be held Friday at 2:30 p. m. at the Davis Memorial Methodist Church in Atkins. Burial will be in the Roselawn Cemetery. The body was removed from the Seaver Funeral Home Thursday afternoon to her home.

Mrs. Mary A. Humphrey

Mrs. Mary Alexander Humphrey, 85, died at her home in Rural Retreat Monday.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Ernest B. Keesling, Wytheville; Mrs. W. Harold Gammon, Miss Margaret Humphrey, both of Rural Retreat; one son, Robert Douglas Humphrey, Rural Retreat; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. F. P. McCready, Glade Spring, and Mrs. B. S. Rector, Meadswick.

Funeral service was held at 10:30 a. m. Wednesday at the Lindsey Funeral Home. Burial was in the Mountain View Cemetery.

R. E. Clear

R. E. Clear, 82, a retired Mathieson Chemical Corp. foreman, died Friday at his home in Saltville.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lula Hurt Clear; four daughters, Mrs. L. E. Frye, Mrs. C. A. Cook, Mrs. Mary C. Grose, all of Saltville; Mrs. P. M. Kent, Glade Spring; two brothers, R. N. Clear, Marion; James Clear, Saltville; one sister, Mrs. Susie Taylor, Bluefield, W. Va.; five grandchildren.

Funeral service was held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the Madam Russell Methodist Church in Saltville. Burial was in the Elizabeth Cemetery.

Mrs. M. B. Hendricks

Mrs. Mattie Baumgardner Hendricks, 76, of Rural Retreat died in a Marion hospital Monday.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Robinson, Beckley, W. Va., and Mrs. W. G. Delp, Rural Retreat.

Funeral service was held at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Delp. Burial was in the Mountain View Cemetery.

Daisy F. Ferguson

Daisy Frances Ferguson, 27,

of Sugar Grove died last Sunday at the Marion General Hospital in Marion.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ferguson, Sugar Grove; five brothers, M-Sgt. Guy H. Ferguson, Quantico; M-Sgt. Henry J. Ferguson, Camp Pickett; Curtis Ferguson, Sugar Grove; M-Sgt. William Ferguson Jr., Fort Knox, Ky.; Sfc. Donald Ferguson, Camp Lee; three sisters, Mrs. Virginia Olinger, Broadford; Mrs. Worth Campbell, Rising Sun, Md., and the Thelma Ferguson, Washington, D. C.

Funeral service was held Monday at the Seaver Chapel. The Rev. J. R. Shumate and the Rev. J. W. Colbert officiated. Burial was in the Hutton Cemetery.

Sue Blanche Fox

Miss Sue Blanche Fox, 69, died at her home near Marion Sunday afternoon.

She is survived by four sisters, Miss Bessie Fox and Mrs. W. A. Crouse, both of Marion; Mrs. Mary Blevins, Roanoke; Mrs. J. H. Durman, Forest Hill, Md.; two brothers, Garland Fox and Harold Fox, both of Marion.

Funeral service was held Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. at the Mt. Zion Methodist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

John F. Wright

John F. Wright, 79, of Marion, died in a Marion hospital last Thursday.

Surviving are his wife, one son, Earl Wright, Marion; three daughters, Mrs. Leonard Stoval, Groseclose; Mrs. Anna Gullion, Marion; Mrs. Dave Koffman, New Bedford, Mass; two brothers, Herbert Wright, Marion; Elmore Wright, Winston-Salem, N. C., and five grandchildren.

Funeral service was held at 2 p. m. Saturday in the Seaver Funeral Chapel. Burial was in the Roselawn Cemetery.

William H. Pugh

William H. Pugh, 65, died in a Jefferson, N. C., hospital Sunday.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Harold Lindamood, Norfolk; Mrs. Ross Boyer, Bedford; three sons, Earl Pugh, Bristol, Tenn.; Bruce Pugh, Clifton Forge; Harry Pugh, Marion; one stepdaughter, Dorothy Kilgore, Bristol; four sisters, Mrs. Betty Sebastian, Stockton, Calif.; Mrs. J. M. Snyder and Mrs. Laue Suite, both of Trout Dale; Mrs. Daisy Brown Washington, D. C.; and one brother, Reece E. Pugh, Norfolk, Neb.

Funeral service was held Tuesday at 10 a. m. at the Mt. Carmel Methodist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

VPI Alumni Assoc. To Meet In Marion Friday, Jan. 29

The Southwest Virginia Chapter of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Alumni Association will hold a regular meeting at Hotel Lincoln in Marion on January 29, at 6:30 p. m.

Wirt Foster, president of the local chapter, has invited head coach Frank Mosley and his assistant H. M. McEver to speak at the meeting.

Reservations should be made with George Hoy, club secretary, phone 298-J by noon Thursday, as a large crowd is expected.

PLASTERCO

Margaret Hodge
January 27 — The MYF Sub District met at the Glade Spring Community Center on Monday night. Those in attendance from Plasterco: Sue Clark, Margaret Hodge, Patsy Gailher, Elizabeth and Dimple Hodge, Floyd and Preston Brooks and Jimmy Boyd. Mr.

Marion Enters Team In Burley Belt League

Guy Dutton, representing a team from Marion, attended a meeting at Emory Monday night of the Burley Belt League and entered a Marion team for the coming season.

This meeting was a re-organizational meeting of the league with representatives of Saltville, Abingdon and Bristol being present. The league was formed at this meeting with these four teams. There is still a possibility of two other teams entering the league, according to Dutton.

The rules of the league will remain almost the same as the past season. This season three professional men will be allowed to play. These men must have played in the past five years to be considered class men. The league will open play around April 30.

C. C. Poindexter was re-elected president and secretary of the league with Chauncey DeVault the vice president. Dutton has been a wheel

horse for the Marion baseball teams in the past, having played since 1936. He played with the Marion team during the past season in the Tri-County League. He played with Marion when a team was entered in the Burley Belt League in 1949.

Work will start in the near future on the new stadium to complete it in time for the baseball season, according to D. D. Query. The sowing of grass and other work will begin around February 1. "We hope to have the field in playing shape for the first of May," Mr. Query said.

There will be an organizational meeting of the Marion club in the near future to determine the strength and elect officers for the coming season. Mr. Query stated, "We will use all the local boys possible in this league and later may use a few college boys on the squad," Query said.

E. French, their sponsor also attended.

Joan, Rosemary, Charles and Jimmy Bordwine are absent from school this week due to illness in the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson had the following children home on Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnson of Welch, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. James Davis of Filbert, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Johnson of Saltville and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ashley of Clinchburg.

Visitation in the Methodist Church is continuing on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

The W.S.C.S. of Plasterco Methodist Church will meet at the parsonage with the Rev. and Mrs. W. O. Webster on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Charlie Smith is much

improved but remains in the Thomas McKee Hospital at Saltville.

Joyce Helton was released on Friday from the hospital due to ear infection.

Mrs. Bill Hodge recently underwent a tonsillectomy at Saltville. She is doing well.

Mrs. Kyle Adams' mother has been very ill. She is improving.

Rev. Norris has returned from the hospital and also is much improved.

The revival at the Church of God closed on Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Sprinkle, Junior and Mary Ruth of Tazewell, visited Mrs. W. M. Sprinkle, his mother and Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Lewis over the weekend.

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MARGARINE Parkay Golden Quarters. 1-lb. 31¢

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PEANUT BUTTER Peter Pan 12-oz. Jar 37¢

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CORNED BEEF HASH Libby 1-lb. Can 31¢

COCOANUT Durkee Shredded 4-oz. Pkg. 17¢

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BABY FOOD Gaby's Strained 6 Jan 59¢

SPAGHETTI Libby 16-oz. Can 27¢

PICKLED BEETS Greenwood 1-lb. Can 21¢

DOG FOOD Red Heart 2 1-lb. Cans 31¢

CORNED BEEF HASH Silver Skillet 1-lb. Can 27¢

POTTED MEAT Libby 2 5 1/2-oz. Cans 27¢

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DOG FOOD Tony 3 No. 300 25¢

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Marion Personals

MRS. JOE STEPHENSON
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Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Snider left Sunday for St. Petersburg, Fla., where they will spend several weeks.
Miss Mattie Conner of Roanoke was the guest of Miss Katherine Scott last week.
Mr. and Mrs. John H. Horne and Mrs. John B. Cooke of Roanoke were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Sprinkle last week.
Miss Marjorie DeWitt is able to be out again after an illness of several days.
Mr. and Mrs. Verlin King

and family of Bristol visited friends in Marion Sunday.
Mrs. E. M. Ritchey of Bluefield, W. Va., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Killinger, and Mr. Killinger.
Mr. and Mrs. George Martin, formerly of Smyth County, who have been living in Buffalo, N. Y., are now living in Falls Church.
Oscar Shelton of Roanoke has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harvey White and family. He also attended the funeral of Mrs. Charles T. Cormany last Thursday.
Mr. and Mrs. J. D. (Billy) Killinger are visiting in Roanoke this week.
Mrs. J. P. McMillan spent a few days of last week in Grassy Creek, N. C., visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Colvard. Gary Wilkinson has been

confined to her home for the past few days due to illness.
R. E. Moore left last Tuesday for Hot Springs, where he will spend several days.
Miss Katherine Scott left Sunday for Richmond to visit her sister, Miss Marigold Scott.
Mrs. W. W. Hawkins, who has been sick for the past few days, is improving.
Mr. and Mrs. Garland Kent of Oak Ridge, Tenn., spent the past week end with his mother, Mrs. H. L. Kent. Mr. and Mrs. Kent attended the funeral of her aunt, Miss Mary Tarter, in Rural Retreat Saturday.
Miss Sadie Wolfe of Washington, D. C., will spend the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wolfe.
Mrs. Mike Condon of Pleasantville, N. Y., is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Garretson. Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Garretson were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall and children, Janice and Gerald, of Independence.
Edward Davis visited his father, W. E. Davis, in the Veterans Hospital, Mountain Home, Tenn., last Sunday.
Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Everhart that their son, S-Sgt. Bobby Everhart, landed on the West Coast last Monday. He has been in Korea for the past year. His wife, who has been in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, will join him in Cleveland, Ohio, Wednesday, and they hope to arrive in Marion the last of this week.
The Rev. and Mrs. Roy W. Redding are attending a missionary meeting in Philadelphia, Penna., this week. The Rev. Mr. Redding will deliver a message on "Missions" while there.
W. H. Hubble of Shelbina, Mo., John L. Hubble, Detroit, Mich., and Mrs. W. H. Pennington of Roanoke, who were called to Marion due to the death of their brother, Ray Hubble, have returned home.
Mrs. Alfred McCarty of Princeton, W. Va., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Daniels, West Main.
Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Reynolds have returned from Clinchco, where they attended the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Alice Lyall, Thursday.
Miss Joan Poulos of Washington, D. C., will spend the week end with her parents, Mr



WANNA BUY A GOAT — with the smell thrown in for free? Bill Johnson again this year is running his Jot-Em-Down store for the benefit of the March of Dimes. Bill will close down shop at Jennings Farm Supply this week end. He is selling donated farm products for the polio drive, and this goat was one of the donations. Bill also has feed for Billy and accepting bids for the animal, plus a month's supply of old cans and such to keep body and smell together.

and Mrs. George Poulos, on Pendleton Street.
Mrs. Sam Martin, Mrs. Richard Kincer and daughter, Rebecca, and Mrs. Sam Martin Jr., of Wytheville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stephenson and family Wednesday.
Jimmie Hutchinson of VPI was the week-end guest of Miss Margaret and Bertie Feazell at Atkins.
Mr. and Mrs. Billy Vines and family of Kingsport, Tenn., will spend the week end with his mother, Mrs. W. D. Vines.
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Harris and son, Jamie, of Wise were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Haulsee and son, Larry, and Mr. and Mrs. Bayne Wright of Fairground Hill, Wednesday evening.

Garnett Is Recreation Treasurer

Robert S. Garnett, appointed to a three year term on the Marion Recreation Commission at a January meeting of Marion Town Council, has been appointed treasurer of the commission.
Garnett replaces Mrs. Peyton Barnett, who has served with the commission since it was created in 1950.
Other appointments to the commission include N. C. Peterson, chairman, and W. T. Grissom, advisor and recorder.



At the meeting held this week, the commission announced that the director, Jack Musten, will assume his duties as full time director beginning February 1.
The commission expressed gratitude to the Junior Woman's Club for its excellent cooperation. The club held a formal opening of the Teen-age Hang-out Room at the Center Saturday night. The room has been decorated with living room furniture, and a juke box has been placed in this room.
Sandwiches and cokes were served to a large crowd following the basketball game, by the following: Mr. and Mrs. Byron Anderson Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Franzen, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Musten, Mrs. Cloyd Martin, and Mrs. Peyton Barnett.
Mr. Peterson announced that the Community Center building will be made available to the Harding Ballet classes every Saturday morning. These classes were formerly held at the college.

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District Meeting, Young Farmers of Va. to Be Here

Recognition of the outstanding young farmer in a 19-county area of Southwestern Virginia will be made in Marion this Friday night at a dinner meeting in the Lincoln Hotel highlighting a district convention of the Young Farmers Association of Virginia.
An engraved silver bowl and plate, given by the A & P Food Stores, will be presented the Southwest's top young farmer as a highlight of the one-day sessions of this adult-training organization.
Identity of the winner will be kept a secret until the official presentation of the award is made by W. M. Gaunt, Jr. of Richmond, managing director of the Virginia Chain Store Council whose area managers of member company stores are sponsoring the dinner.

A state-wide organization, with 75 local groups and a membership of 1,600, the Young Farmers Association of Virginia was organized a little over four years ago under the supervision of the Vocational Agricultural Educational services of the State Department of Education of which R. E. Bass of Richmond is state supervisor.
The group provides out-of-school farm training for young men, between the ages of 18 and 40. It is for full-time, professional farmers, and has been beneficial to those young men who wish to obtain additional agricultural training.
Each of the district winners, will compete later for an all-state outstanding young farmer award which will be made at a banquet Feb. 12, featuring the fourth annual convention of the Young Farmers of Virginia in Roanoke.
A. Strode Brockman of Wytheville, superintendent of Wythe County Schools, is scheduled to be the principal speaker at the Southwest District recognition dinner.
C. M. Vaughan Jr., vocational agricultural teacher at Rural

Retreat and chairman of the Vocational Agricultural Teachers Young Farmers Committee for the Southwest, is in charge of the Marion dinner arrangements. He is being assisted by Fred Etter, also of Rural Retreat, a member of the Young Farmers Executive Committee for Southwest Virginia, who will preside at the banquet.
J. Leonard Mauck, superintendent of Smyth schools, will welcome the group. Music will be provided by Mrs. Fred Davis and daughter, Jeanette, of Atkins.
Participating on the business program of the meeting will be Harry Mac Williamson, state president, state executive secretary-treasurer of the Young Farmers and assistant state supervisor of vocational agricultural training; Joe A. Hardy, area vocational agricultural supervisor of institutional-on-farm training in Southwest Virginia; Jim O. Hoge, area vocational agricultural supervisor for Southwest Virginia, and W. Roy Crabb, state supervisor of institutional-on-farm training.
The meeting will open at 4:30 p. m. with reports from district officers, announcement of committee assignments and reports of committees.

Birchfield Heads Lee Memorial

Officers for Hospital Named at Tuesday Meet
Directors elected at a Lee Memorial Hospital stockholders meeting Tuesday named W. V. Birchfield president of the corporation for this year.
Approximately 94 per cent the stockholders were represented either in person or by proxy at the meeting at the hospital at 2 p. m.
Directors named were Dr. J. C. Boatwright, Dr. J. M. Rogers, Dr. W. S. Schiff, Dr. A. D. Hutton, Dr. R. C. Potter, Dr. R. H. Harrington, Dr. J. Stuart Staley, Ralph K. Killinger, Warren Wright, Mr. Birchfield and E. Neal Umberger.
The newly named director met immediately following the stockholders' meeting and named officers. Dr. George A. Wright is honorary president; Mr. Birchfield, president; Dr. Harrington, first vice president; Dr. Hutton, second vice president; Mr. Wright, third vice president and business manager, and Susan O. Johnston, secretary-treasurer.

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NEWS of CHURCHES

Mrs. St. John Is Hostess to Mt. View Church Group

Mrs. G. N. St. John was hostess to the WSCS of the Mountain View Methodist Church last Wednesday night at her home near Chilhowie. Mrs. Bradley Duncan gave the fourth study of the Book of Jeremiah. The regular program titled "Love Never Fails" was led by Miss Hazel Bishop. She was assisted by Mrs. David Rouse, Mrs. J. B. Brewer, Mrs. J. R. Love and Mrs. Edward Brewer. The business session was conducted by Mrs. J. E. Brewer. A social hour followed with the hostess serving refreshments to the 10 members present. The next meeting of the society will be Feb. 17 at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. George Duncan, with Mrs. David Rouse in charge of the program.

Pendleton Memorial Bible Class Meets With Mrs. Jones

The Pendleton Memorial Bible Class of the Chilhowie Baptist Church met for its regular meeting Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Frederick Jones. Mrs. W. G. Frye and Mrs. John McCormick were assisting hostesses. The devotional program was given by Mrs. Elwood Rupard. Miss Louise Spavelly was in charge of the meeting and discussed the various projects of the class for this year.

First Methodist Circles Slated To Meet Next Week

The circles of the First Methodist Church in Marion will meet, Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 3 p. m. Circle 1, Mrs. Cecil Greer, chairman, meets with Mrs. W. W. Scott Jr. Circle 2, Mrs. W. S. Catron, chairman, meets with Mrs. H. A. Linkous, Mrs. L. P. Haywood will be co-hostess. Circle 3, Mrs. R. C. Gwyn Jr., chairman, meets with Mrs. M. M. Brown, Mrs. Curtis Hamm will be co-hostess. Circle 4, Mrs. A. B. Graybeal, chairman, meets with Mrs. E. C. Scott. Circle 5, Mrs. F. A. Roland, chairman, meets with Mrs. Lewis Jarrett. Thursday, Feb. 4, circle 6, Mrs. Walter Adams, chairman, will meet with Mrs. Raymond Bomers at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Lillian Slagle, Mrs. Burchell Cornett and Mrs. Clyde Warren will be co-hostesses. Circle 7, Mrs. Eugene Warren, chairman, will meet Feb. 4, at 8 p. m. with Mrs. Peyton Barnett, Mrs. W. Pat Jennings will be co-hostess. The Wesleyan Service Guild of the church, Mrs. George Kirk, chairman, will meet with Mrs. J. Q. Donnelly, Feb. 4 at 7:30. Misses Frances Prater and Lettie Scott will be co-hostesses.

Mt. Pleasant to Have Regular Services This Week End

The Rev. W. S. Golden, pastor of the Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church of Marion, announces the services to be held at the church this coming Sunday. Church school, with S. E. McClanahan, superintendent, in charge, will be held at 10 a. m. with the morning worship at 11 a. m. The sermon will be given by Dr. T. G. Howard, superintendent of the Bristol district. The second quarterly conference will be held at 1 p. m. with the Methodist youth fellowship meeting at 6 p. m. The evening worship will be held at 7:30. The mid week prayer service, with the Rev. William Shelton in charge, will be held Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. A chattering supper will be held at Carnegie High School this coming Friday evening at 8 o'clock. This supper will benefit the Mt. Pleasant Church's spring rally. A silver tea will be served at the home of Mrs. Susie Thompson on Broad Street Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Services Are Given For South Fork Baptist Church

Sunday School will begin at 10 a. m. this Sunday at the South Fork Baptist Church. No preaching services will be held this Sunday as it will be the fifth Sunday. Prayer services are held at the church each Thursday evening beginning at 7:30 and are conducted by the pastor the Rev. O. N. Blankenbecker.

Mary Jane Comer Is Hostess To Cedar Bluff Group

The YWA of the Cedar Bluff Baptist Church hold its regular meeting at the home of Mary Jane Comer Monday of this week. Eight members were present. Plans for the coming year were discussed. The next meeting will be Feb. 11 at the home of Barbara Ann Catron.

Atkins Club Meets With Mrs. Hutton

The Atkins Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. E. V. Hutton last Thursday evening at 7:30 for the regular meeting. The president, Mrs. James Early Catron, was in charge. The county agent, Miss Karle Bundy, gave the demonstration on "Money Management." Ten members and four visitors were present. Mrs. Hutton was assisted in serving refreshments by Mrs. Frank Fezell, Mrs. Hester and Mrs. Blackwell.

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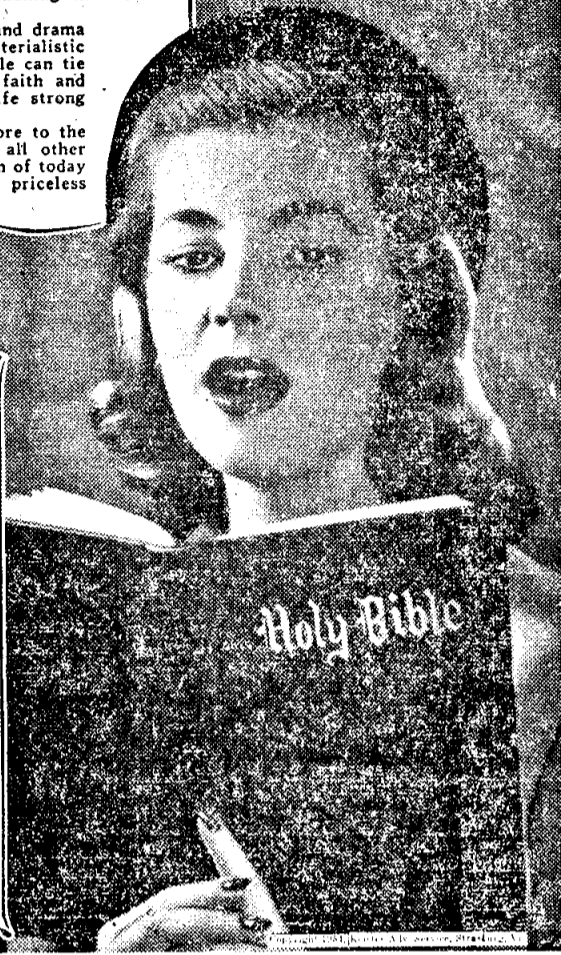
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Day	Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday	Luke	24	25-35
Monday	Acts	8	26-40
Tuesday	11 Timothy	2	14-26
Wednesday	11 Timothy	3	1-17
Thursday	James	4	1-8
Friday	11 Peter	1	10-21
Saturday	Psalms	19	1-14



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Grosses Creek WMS "Family Night" To Be Observed At Falling Water Church

The Grosses Creek Woman's Missionary Society met last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Dewey Rich. Mrs. Harold Pennington led the meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. Frank St. John. She was assisted by Mrs. J. C. Craven and Mrs. J. G. Eiler. There were eight members and one visitor, Mrs. Paul Patton, present. Two new members, Mrs. Cecil McClure and Mrs. Baker Blevins, were added to the group. Mrs. Mattie Shupe will entertain the group at her home in February.

Marion Baptist Circle Meetings Are Listed

Meeting places for the circles of the Marion Baptist Church have been announced for the month of February. Mattie Miles Circle will meet at 2:30 p. m. next Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Lucy D. Urquhart. Frances Hudgins Circle will meet with Mrs. Ray Courtney at 2:30 p. m. Cars will leave the church at 2:15 p. m. Mrs. James F. Tindall will be hostess to members of Ann Judson Circle, which also meets next Wednesday. Cars will leave the church at 2:15 p. m. Margie Shumate Circle will meet next Thursday at 7:30 p. m. with Mrs. Rusti Comer, with Mrs. George Eblen as co-hostess. Mrs. Neal Blankenbecker will entertain members of the Lottie Moon Circle at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, Feb. 4. Miss Margaret Stroupe will be hostess at the Alex Hutchins home to members of the Lila Holmes Carter Circle Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 7:30 p. m.

Royal Oak Circles To Meet Next Week

Circles of the Royal Oak Presbyterian Church, Marion, will meet next week. Day circles will meet at 3 p. m. next Wednesday, Feb. 3. Mrs. Herbert Richardson and Mrs. M. D. Farley will be hostesses to Circle No. 1 at the home of the former. Circle No. 2 will meet with Mrs. Hickman Buchanan with Mrs. J. S. Roberts serving as co-hostess. Circle No. 3 will have its meeting with Mrs. J. F. Ward. Night circles will meet next Thursday at 8 p. m. Mrs. Denton Hull will entertain members of Circle No. 4. Circle No. 5 will meet with Misses Carolyn and Mary Preston Sheffey. Mrs. James Fitzgerald will be hostess to Circle No. 6.

Services Are Given For Seventh Day Adventist Church

Services for the Seventh Day Adventist Church have been announced by the pastor, John W. McGraw. They are Wednesday night at 7:30 prayer meeting, and Friday night at 7:30 young people's meeting. Saturday morning at 9:30 Sabbath school will be held with the church service at 11. The Dorcas Society of the church will meet at the church at 7:30 Feb. 2. Mrs. Marguerite McGraw is the Dorcas Society leader, and Mrs. W. M. Waddell is the secretary and treasurer of the society. The society will be planning for the Southwest Federation meeting in Wytheville Feb. 24.

Zion's Chapel Church Of God Will Have A Special Youth Revival

The Zion's Chapel Church of God will have special youth evangelistic services Feb. 1-5 in connection with national youth week being observed by all churches of God throughout the United States. Miss Mae Robinette will be the guest speaker. There will be a special feature Friday night, and all young people are invited to attend.

Davis Memorial WSCS Has Regular Meeting

The WSCS of Davis Memorial Methodist Church met last Wednesday evening with Mrs. Charles Hash and Mrs. K. P. Williams as hostesses. Mrs. G. L. Atkins was in charge of the program using as a topic, "But It Is the Same God." Mrs. Paul Hicks read the scripture with Mrs. Paul Snider leading the prayer. Mrs. Senah Pulliam of Seven Mile Ford explained the work of the different offices in the WSCS. Mrs. Pulliam is a district officer. Mrs. J. E. Ingram presided over the business session after which delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses. There were 20 members, one new member, Mrs. Joe Halsey, and four visitors, Mrs. Senah Pulliam, Mrs. McGhee of Seven Mile Ford, Mrs. James Fishel and Mrs. Robert Scott, present.

Mrs. Burkett Leads Fulton Guild Program

The Fulton Wesleyan Service Guild meeting was held Friday evening with Mrs. Neat Burkett as program leader. Her topic was "Love Never Fails." She was assisted by Mrs. Sammie Burkett, Miss Dorothy Catron and Mrs. Charles Blackwell. There were nine members present. After the business refreshments were served by the hostess. The February meeting will be held at the church with a pot luck supper. Mrs. Charles Blackwell will be program leader.

MRS. ROUSE GIVES DEMONSTRATION AT RECENT CLUB MEET

Mrs. Leon Rouse gave a Demonstration Club, the River-Ting at the Seven Mile Ford 4-H Club meeting at the school house Jan. 18. The secretary, Joan Reeves, called the roll, and three were absent. Mrs. Rouse was assisted in the demonstration by Miss Bundy. Helpful suggestions were given on correct table setting and table manners. The next meeting will be held Feb. 15. The demonstration will be "Balanced Meals." Each member is to make a 4-H Book for the next meeting.

29 Attend Falling Water Baptist WMS Meeting

The Falling Water WMS met Thursday evening at the church with 29 present. Two new members, Mrs. James Vaught and Mrs. Ralph Haga, and one visitor, Mrs. Clifton Poe, were welcomed. The topic discussed was "The World at Our Doorstep." Mrs. Dixie Shumate was program leader. She was assisted by Mrs. Joe Sayers, Miss Mattie Hutton, Mrs. Bayne Wright, Mrs. Clay Sayers and Mrs. Stanley Rymer. A special hymn was given by Mrs. Charles Rupard and Mrs. Walter Petty, accompanied by Mrs. Woody Pafford at the piano. Closing remarks were made by the president, Mrs. Petty, who was in charge of the business meeting. The February meeting will meet at the home of Mrs. Everette Medley.

Services Are Given For Church of The Nazarene in Marion

The Rev. C. H. Strong, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, 229 Coyner Avenue, Marion, announces that unified Bible school and preaching service will be held at the church this Sunday from 10 to 11:30 a. m. The young people's meeting will be held at 7 p. m. with a sermon at 7:45. The topic of the sermon will be "Church Going Homes Are Happier Homes."

Mrs. Earnest Leads Greenwood WSCS

The WSCS of Greenwood Methodist Church held its regular meeting Jan. 19 at the church with Mrs. J. W. Earnest as program leader. The topic was "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God." Those taking part were Mrs. O. M. Falke, Miss Irene Ellison, Mrs. O. P. Copenhaver, Mrs. Kenneth Box and Mrs. Everette Box. Ways in which Christians of many races and nations can be a community of the spirit, battling communism, were shown. Seven members were present. After a short business session, refreshments were served by Mr. O. P. Copenhaver. The February program leader will be Mrs. W. J. Odham Sr. with Mrs. Albert Thomas as hostess.

Madam Russell Circles Meet In Saltville

Circle 1 of the Madam Russell Methodist Church in Saltville met last Thursday evening with Mrs. E. E. Diggs. Mrs. Hugh Helton gave devotionals, Mrs. R. H. Hawk gave some of the projects supported by the WSCS. The Bible lesson on Jeremiah was taught by Mrs. W. W. Brickey. Circle 2 met the same evening with Miss Margaret Diggs. The program was given by Mrs. Albert Cahill, Mrs. J. W. Hammer, Mrs. H. C. Smith and Mrs. Paul Farris. Devotionals were given by Miss Diggs. Circle 3 was entertained by Mrs. Harry Austin Thursday evening. Mrs. E. E. Seuffer gave the devotionals, and Mrs. A. F. Bennett gave an article from the Methodist Woman. Mrs. E. G. Rogers gave the Bible study. Mrs. V. T. Rector was hostess to Circle 4 the same day. Mrs. Bill Routh gave the devotionals, and the Bible study was taught by Mrs. H. K. Routh.

Bruce Eller To Preach at Hooks Branch Baptist

Elder Bruce Eller of North Carolina will preach at Hooks Branch Baptist Church of Marion this Sunday at 11 o'clock. He invites everyone to attend this service.

Girl's Auxiliary Has Meeting Monday With Peggy Hall

The Annie Armstrong Girl's Auxiliary of the South Fork Baptist Church met Monday night with Peggy Hall. "The First Bible Tither" was the title of the program, led by Anna Lou Ellis, program chairman. Others taking part on the program were Peggy Hall, Ardenia Blevins, Becky Ellis, Carolyn Rowland, Carol Jean Blevins and Jean Kell. Eighteen were present including three visitors. After the meeting the group played games and refreshments were served. The auxiliary will meet with Wanda Vernon Feb. 8.

Margaret Crawley YWA's Have Meeting

The Margaret Crawley YWA of the Marion Baptist Church met Jan. 18. The meeting was opened by the president, Betty Stammer. The program was presented by Shirley Hutton. Those taking part were Mary Jane McGlothlin, Barbara Bowman, Mary Lyne Stammer, Betty Stammer, Peggy Martin and Connie Stephenson. Miss Mary Sebastian talked to the group about college experience with foreign students. The Margaret Crawley YWA Focus Week was discussed, and sponsoring the bulletins for church services was considered. Community missions was changed to 6:15 p. m. Monday.

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STATE HIGHWAYS

Both Democrats and Republicans of Virginia finally have settled on one question. Virginia highways are lagging behind, and more money is necessary if they are to be brought up to par.

This is especially true of our major highways carrying the bulk of the traffic load. Eighteen per cent of our highways, including heavily traveled 11 running through this section, carry more than 80 per cent of the traffic load.

Yet under the antiquated district system, with a specified percentage of money available being allocated to each district, regardless of the traffic pattern, many of these heavily traveled roads are getting no more than less heavily traveled highways.

That more money must be spent on these highways has been our contention for some time. They are dangerous, and the piecemeal fixing of these roads will never bring them up to par.

The Roanoke Times last Sunday made an attempt to look into the finances of our gas tax money. Like us, they could not make heads or tails of many of the expenditures. But they did come up with some startling figures about where some of this money is being spent. (This editorial in full is carried elsewhere on this page.)

The results of their study brought one thing to light, which should be brought to the attention to the public. Just about 25 per cent of the gas money paid to the state each year is actually being spent for highway maintenance and expansion.

The rest of this money is being spent on overhead, to help foot the road camp system bill each year and to help pay for many various and sundry expenses not even remotely concerned with highway building.

The Republicans wanted to float a big bond issue to build up our roads immediately. This proved to be unpopular with the people, costing them many votes at the polls and possibly costing them the governorship race.

A splinter group of the Democrats have come up with a ton-mile tax proposal which also is unpopular. This would tax trucks heavily. Truckers already are paying more than 30 per cent of the gas tax, while estimates of the wear and tear on roads as a whole throughout the state amount to about 30 per cent. This would vitally affect our economy and is not a good tax. Sixteen other states have tried this and 10 have dropped the idea, finding it uneconomic. It will take about 27 cents out of every dollar to collect this tax and will cost our manufacturers and truckers thousands of dollars each year in addition in keeping up with their tax problem.

For instance, let's assume that this tax is put on and one of our local bottling companies sends out its trucks each morning, filled with soft drinks. Every stop, with a lightened load, will have to be figured for each truck a gigantic task which makes us shudder.

This probably is not the answer, as shown by 10 states out of 16 dropping the idea after trying it out.

Now Governor Stanley comes along with a suggestion to add another penny to the gas tax. We grant that he definitely stated on the platform last year that he would not do this — but that is a matter for the politicians to settle. Candidate's platforms traditionally are weak and should be taken with a grain of salt, whether they be Republicans or Democrats. Too often the planks on which these platforms are built crumble soon after election time, and this instance is just one of many we have witnessed as conditions change.

We are not considering the political promise in this instance, but are thinking is this extra tax necessary?

It is estimated that the road fund will exceed \$80,000,000 a year during the next two years. Yet the budget appropriates only \$19,887,265 for the first year and \$20,484,665 the second for construction and reconstruction of highways. The other three fourths of the money will be used for other expenses.

If we are using only one fourth of our gas tax money to build and reconstruct our roads, is an additional gas tax necessary, or is it necessary to float road bonds in excess of a million dollars to build roads? We think not.

The gas tax money has been tempting down through the years. Just a little here and a little there has been dipped out for other expenses. A few thousands shouldn't make any difference apparently has been the idea. But the few thousands multiplied many times has made a big difference. We are getting one quarter efficiency.

We fully realize that some of the gas tax money must be used for salaries, upkeep of buildings and such, but cannot see 75c out of every dollar gas tax money paid into the state treasury being paid out for other things, including overhead. What assurance will we have that additional gas tax, regardless of how raised, will be all used for road building? Will 75 cents out of every additional dollar be channeled into other expenditures and will other taxes be necessary again to make up this difference? This could go on for a long time, with more and more money pouring into the coffers and more and more being diverted into other legitimate state expenses.

We have been robbing Peter to pay Paul and now are coming along yelling that Peter is proverty stricken, which is true, while Paul has waxed fat. We have pointed with pride the income tax rebates each year under the Byrd Bill. Can we also point with pride that this might have been possible due to diverting gas tax funds for other purposes?

Generally the public does not mind paying taxes for better highways, schools and hospitals. Taxation for these purposes meets with the approval of the average man. Have our political leaders realized this in taking away from the highway department monies paid to the state for the highway fund through the gas tax and diverting it to general fund use?

A detailed study of how this gas tax money has been spent is in order. All dead wood should be chopped off, and the general fund allowed to stand on its own financial structure. Motorists have a right to expect the greatest possible returns for their dollars in better and more efficient highways, built according to how heavily traveled,

A complete overhaul, including how the money is spent and what highways get the benefit, should be instigated.

When this is done, then it can be seen if more gas tax money is necessary. Perhaps it will not be necessary to slap more taxes on our motorists, and the anticipated income from this source will be adequate to take care of our highway needs. Until this is done, no new gas taxes of any sort should be tolerated.

LOSING PROPOSITION

Smyth County lost nearly \$100,000 in farm income in 1953, due to failure to plant 105 acres of allotted tobacco crop.

A total of 163 growers failed to put out any of their allotment resulting in this loss. And the tragic part of the picture is that if a farmer fails to use his allotment for five years, it is canceled and cannot be reinstated.

No doubt these farmers had their reasons for not planting during 1953. Sickness, lack of help and other good reasons probably account for most of the idle fields. But the fact remains that \$95,000 was lost to Smyth County. This, divided by our approximate 30,000 population, means an aggregate loss of \$3 per person.

It is our understanding that if a farmer cannot use his allotment, he can allow someone else to plant the acreage on the farm where allocated. In other words, if a farmer of Smyth has a half acre allotment but cannot plant, due to illness or other good reason, he can secure someone else to plant his crop, as long as it is on the farm for which allocated.

This might be the solution to the problem. With support prices for Burley tobacco, a guaranteed income is almost assured. Surely there are farmers of the county who would be willing to work another man's crop for a percentage of this profit.

Some coordinating agency is needed to bring together those who cannot plant and those who desire to help out on another farm. Knowing our county agent and his willingness to help in any civic project, we nominate him for the job.

Other Folks' Ideas

'AS PROVIDED BY LAW': HIDDEN
(Roanoke Times)

It would take the services of a competent lawyer and an expert public accountant to find all of the charges on the road fund in the budget former Governor Battle submitted to the Virginia General Assembly. They are buried in the most unexpected places. Often they do not say what the charge is for, but merely refer to an act of a former Legislature. And it would be impossible even for an accountant to establish the exact amount, since in some instances the budget placidly appropriates from the road fund "a sum sufficient."

No one seems to know which or how many State officials get additional compensation from the road fund. Two years ago the budget spelled out a \$2,000-a-year allowance from the road fund to the Superintendent of the State Penitentiary in addition to his budgeted salary. The new budget merely carries provision for such charges as "are provided by law."

In 1950 the General Assembly provided that the road fund should be charged 90 per cent of the prevailing wage for convicts. Under that Act the road fund paid over to the Department of Welfare and Institutions \$2,425,000 last year. The new budget merely provides "a sum sufficient."

No one has attempted to estimate what part of the time of the State Police is devoted to patrolling the highways, and what part is used for general law enforcement and the maintenance of order throughout the Commonwealth. The new budget places the whole cost — \$5,486,410 the first year and \$5,557,170 the second year — on the road fund. General taxpayers of Virginia pay nothing for State Police — the motorist pays it all, including \$619,100 the first year and \$501,000 the second for operation of the police radio system. Motorists pay \$97,760 the first year and \$104,000 the second for operation and maintenance of the headquarters buildings and grounds, with an additional \$49,750 a year for operation of the State Police dining room.

The Division of Motor Vehicles gets from the road fund \$2,786,410 the first year and \$2,885,370 the second, in addition to refunds of motor vehicle fuel taxes, "a sum sufficient," estimated at \$5,000,000 a year.

Out of a total road fund exceeding \$80,000,000 a year the budget appropriates for construction and reconstruction of the State Highway system \$19,887,265 the first year and \$20,484,665 the second. After providing less than a fourth of the road fund for building the highway system, there comes this neat provision of hidden depletion.

"Provided, further that from this appropriation shall be paid the cost of administration of section 33-298 through 33-324, inclusive, of the Code of Virginia." No effort is made to estimate the amount of these charges on the road fund, or to tell the public what they are.

If you turn to the budget for the State Corporation Commission you will find that \$113,980 the first year and \$118,740 the second is to be taken from collection of motor vehicle fuel taxes and used to promote aviation; and that \$263,460 the first year and \$280,545 the second is taken from the road fund and turned over to the Corporation Commission for regulating trucks.

This does not begin to cover the depletions, diversions and charges contained in the budget. But let us turn to the fine print in the back of the book. Section 40 on Page 107 says that in order to reimburse the general fund of the State there shall be transferred from the road fund to the Department of Law \$21,000 a year; for agencies of the Department of Agriculture there shall be transferred from the road fund each year \$35,400 for one, and \$38,475 for the other; for light, heat and janitor service in State buildings at Richmond there shall be transferred from the road fund \$60,000 a year, and for services of the division of personnel \$5,000 a year.

The section transfers \$159,875 from the proceeds of the motor vehicle fuel tax to the general fund of the State Treasury on January 1, 1955, and \$161,875 on January 1, 1956.

Something else has been added. The section goes on to say that in order to reimburse the general fund for expenditures incurred in a study of highways during the biennium, presumably by a committee of the General Assembly, "a sum equivalent to such expenditures, estimated to be \$10,000, shall be transferred from the motor vehicle fuel tax to the general fund of the State.

So long as we use the road fund as a grab bag for all sorts of charges having a remote, if any, connection with

road building, road maintenance or road safety, the terrible toll of accidents and deaths will continue.

So long as we adhere to an obsolete plan of division between secondary and primary roads, and between eight construction districts, regardless of traffic, or the needs of our people, we may expect any tax rate to prove inadequate, and our main arteries of communication will continue to deteriorate.

In his inaugural address Governor Stanley indicated his opposition to building regional prisons at the cost of the road fund — two such institutions are now under construction at a cost to the road fund of approximately one million dollars. The Governor indicated a purpose to look carefully into other charges and diversions that have sapped the vitality of the road fund, and that have prevented the rebuilding of those major arteries carrying 80 per cent of the traffic. There seems to be a fertile field for unprejudiced and thoroughgoing inquiry.

sweepings from the back shop

By Mr. Moe

Howard White, Bill Sclater and my wife really have hooked Joe Stephenson into buying an expensive thermometer.

It all started Christmas. Joe and Howard had been kidding me all winter about the cold winds up on our hill, while they nestled snugly down in the valley, protected from the cold winds.

I argued all the time that it was just as warm up on the hill as it is down town. "You are just jealous of me and my view. Nobody but a sucker would live down on the creek bank and miss seeing the morning sun come up and spread 'out over the valley," was my boast.

"The only time you ever see the sun come up is after you have been out all night and then you are too sleepy to even see the sun," Joe quipped. "You are wrong there. I get up real early every morning. Feed the dog, feed and water the bird, and then walk up on the hill at the back of the house and sit and watch day-break. It's wonderful."

"What do you do from then until 9 o'clock, when you come dripping into the office, looking like you just got out of bed? Why don't you shave, put on your tie and at least comb your hair, instead of waiting until about 9:30 and then coming down and heading for the lavatory in the back shop. You certainly must waste about two or three hours every morning doing nothing."

"I generally get lots of work done at home before coming down. Besides, I have to wait until the children are ready for school."

"They must certainly be late lots of mornings, if they don't get to school before you get to the office."

I decided to let the matter drop, but still contended that it was just as cold at Joe's house as it is mine.

"Let's get a thermometer and see," Joe argued. That did it. My wife gave me a crome and nickel job which hangs just outside the window for a Christmas present. It's a honey, with a great big sweep hand which shows the exact temperature. I don't even have to use my reading glasses to see the magnified figures.

The day we opened the office after the holidays I came down and proudly announced that the temperature at 7 a. m. up on Mortgage Heights was 29. Joe grumbled something about the thermometer being wrong. It developed that the temperature at his house was 26 at that time.

I should have suspected something at that time, but didn't. "You better get your thermometer checked," Joe said. "You must have gotten hold of a bad one."

"Nope. There was a card in the box stating that factory tests showed this thermometer to be within one hundredth of one degree accurate."

We let it rest at that. The next morning it was the same thing. The temperature at Joe's house was three degrees lower than at my house.

"Something is wrong somewhere," Joe said. "Maybe it's the dampness of the river near your house," I replied.

"It can't be that. Are you sure that your thermometer is right?"

"It's got to be. How about yours?"

"Don't know. It always has checked out, but it is getting a little old."

"What kind is it?"

"Oh, it's one given me about 10 years ago. It's an advertising kind — Carter's Little Liver Pills, I think."

house?" Bill asked. "I don't want that kind of thermometer. I want one to give me the exact weather temperature up to one hundredth of a degree. I am going to show Moe that he is crazy with the cold."

"Now look, Joe, don't go too crazy about this thing. You know full well that a thermometer of that kind will cost you plenty. I don't want to see you put out \$50 just to settle an argument."

"Do those things cost that much?"

"The kind you want does. We have them for just a couple of bucks, but I know the kind that cotton picking South Carolinian got for Christmas and you want the same kind. It just so happens that I have one exactly like it, except that it has red hands instead of blue. His wife had me order two and she only bought one. I was fixing to send it back."

"Let me have it. I'll show him that I know more about the weather than he does, the stinker." Joe bought his thermometer and proudly announced that we could get our heads together the next morning.

It was cold the next morning, and I had trouble believing my eyes as I looked at my thermometer after feeding the dog, feeding and watering the bird and taking my usual walk up the hill. The temperature was down to 10. When I arrived at the office and told Joe, he was flabbergasted. His thermometer read seven.

"Something is wrong. I know it is colder at your house than it is mine," he said.

"Nope. Moe is right," my wife said. "I checked behind him, and the reading was 10."

"It was seven at my house," Howard said. "Moe must be right, Joe, and we have been wrong all these years."

"I don't believe it. I am going over to see Bill right now. He has a thermometer similar to mine at the back of his drug store." Joe dashed over, not even waiting to put on his coat.

"What was the temperature here this morning?"

"It was down to seven. Why?"

"Nothing. Just wanted to know."

This went on for a week. I would come to work. Joe would ask me the temperature at my house. It would always be three degrees lower than at his house. Then he would ask Howard and run over to the drug store and ask Bill. The same tale would come out. Three degrees lower.

Still not satisfied, Joe and I decided to call the weather bureau at Roanoke.

"Is it colder down in a valley, by a stream, than it is on a windy old hill?" Joe queried the first man to answer.

"Nope. It's about three or four degrees colder on top of the hill," the man replied.

"That can't be," Joe said. I was listening on the other telephone and couldn't help but chime in "I told you so, Joe. Better sell your house and move up on the hill with me."

Joe still wasn't satisfied and asked to speak to the manager. "Hey, Mike, take the phone. A couple of drunks down in Marion are arguing about the weather and want to speak to the manager," the first man at the weather bureau stated.

Joe put the same question to the manager and got the same answer. "Now you fellows get off the telephone," the manager yelled. "We've got work to do here and can't sit at the phone and let a couple of idiots argue about such a foolish question."

Joe wouldn't speak to me. I wouldn't speak to Joe. The end of a beautiful friendship was near. Howard was the first one to weaken. Just this week he told the entire story.

He, Bill and my wife had cooked up the entire idea. My wife, some way or another, got me to believing that it is warmer up on Mortgage Heights than it is at Joe's house. She dropped a few statements here and a few there until I ran off with the bait like a hungry fish hitting a worm filled hook.

She, Howard and Bill did the rest. Every morning while I was feeding the dog, feeding and watering the bird and taking my walk up the hill she would call Howard and get the temperature down town. Then she took a cigarette

lighter and ran my thermometer up three degrees higher. Bill was brought in on the secret and overcharged Joe about \$47.50 for the thermometer. Mrs. Stephenson was in on the joke also, and Bill gave her the money, which she promptly spent for a new dress. It has developed that it really is colder up on Mortgage Heights and the only time it will get warmer is about 20 years from now, when we hold the mortgage burning ceremony. I am going to burn it right under the thermometer and run it out the top.

Joe and I are friends now, but the two of us will hardly speak to Howard, Bill and my wife. That's too dirty a trick to play on anybody.

Farm Notes

H. B. ELLER

\$95,000 Lost by Tobacco Growers in 1953

The Smyth County tobacco growers lost approximately \$95,000 in income in 1953 because they failed to plant 105 acres of their allotted acreage. Of the 910 acres allotted 1,263 growers, only 805 acres were harvested in 1953. A total of 163 growers failed to put out any of their allotment.

Based on the present regulations, if tobacco is not harvested once in five years from a farm that has an allotment, the allotment is lost to the farm and to the county as it cannot be transferred or redistributed.

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ALL THREE FORKS OF the Holston River last week were overflowing their banks. A cold front from the northwest smacked against a mass of warm air from the south, causing heavy rains in Smyth and snows in other sections of Virginia. This picture was made in Marion from East Chilhowie Street.

First He Heads For Home, Then Changes Direction to Jail

Strenuous objections to an officer's asking routine questions while doing the Good Samaritan act has cost Lawrence Barrett of Allison Gap plenty. Barrett last Saturday in Trial Justice Court was fined \$10 and costs on drunk in public charges, \$50 and costs and six months each on charges having in his possession illegal whiskey and resisting arrest. It all started the previous Thursday night. Deputy Sidney Snodgrass noticed Barrett with a little too much under his belt hanging around a couple of stores in Allison Gap. The young man started home and was staggering all over the road, Snodgrass stated. He said that he decided to take the man home, as he was not bothering anyone and evidently was trying to make his way to his house. The officer said that he picked him up and, when he did, noticed that Barrett left a brown bag lying by the side of the road. He told him to pick it up, as someone might steal it. Barrett acted funny with the bag en route home, resulting in the officer's questioning him about its contents, which the drinking youth told him contained beer. "I started to feel the bag and he jerked it away and tried to break the contents after we stopped in front of his house,"

Snodgrass said. Then the scrap began. Barrett kicked and yelled, pulling away at the bag. Snodgrass wrestled with him and finally saw the contents—a half gallon jar about one quarter full of white lightning. "Then I told him he had to go to jail and again I had trouble. He didn't want to go to jail, kicked out the lighter on the dashboard of the car, and I was forced to scrap him before bringing him in." Barrett pled guilty, stating that he "didn't want to hurt anybody," but also didn't want to go to jail. He declined to say where he secured the illegal whiskey, saying that it was a "set up" for a favor he had done another fellow. "Not much of a set up," Judge W. V. Birchfield stated, in sentencing. Bonds forfeited included: Speeding, one \$15 and costs and one \$20 and costs; drunkenness, \$10 and costs; reckless driving \$20 and costs; following another truck too close, \$10 and costs; improper passing \$10 and costs. Monday was a holiday in court. Not a single case was on the docket for trial that day.

Roland's Creek
MRS. EARL WARD

Roland's Creek, Jan. 25 — Sic. and Mrs. Ira McKinney, who are stationed at Fort Belvoir, have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Thompson.

Miss Anna Mae Tilson was Saturday night guest of Miss Shirley Richardson. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ward was supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stone of Sugar Grove Saturday night. Mrs. Tom Burchett and daughter, Mildred, were dinner guests of Mrs. Earl Ward recently. Miss Lorena Ward has been ill. Mrs. Patricia Robertson visited her grandmother, Mrs. C. B. Debord, recently. Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Hays visited C. S. Pennington Monday. The Rev. David Cleary of North Wilkesboro, N. C., and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ward were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Ida Tilson. David Tilson spent Sunday night with Glen Ward. Jerry Freeman spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Pennington. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lomans and family of Sugar Grove were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Owens last Sunday.

Miss Mable Anderson visited Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Anderson and Taylor Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Buchanan and little daughter, Mary Rachel, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kan Carter. Mrs. Cora Carter has not been feeling well this winter.

Ridgedale
MRS. MARY E. MOORE

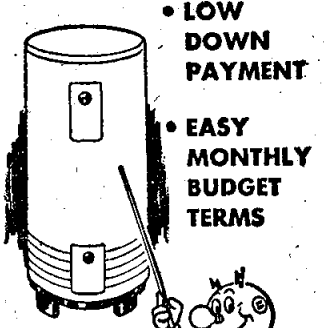
Ridgedale, Jan. 25 — Isaac Anderson has returned from Lee Memorial Hospital much improved. He has to go back in 10 days for a check up. Mr. and Mrs. George Maloyed and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Anderson and Beverly called on Mr. and Mrs.

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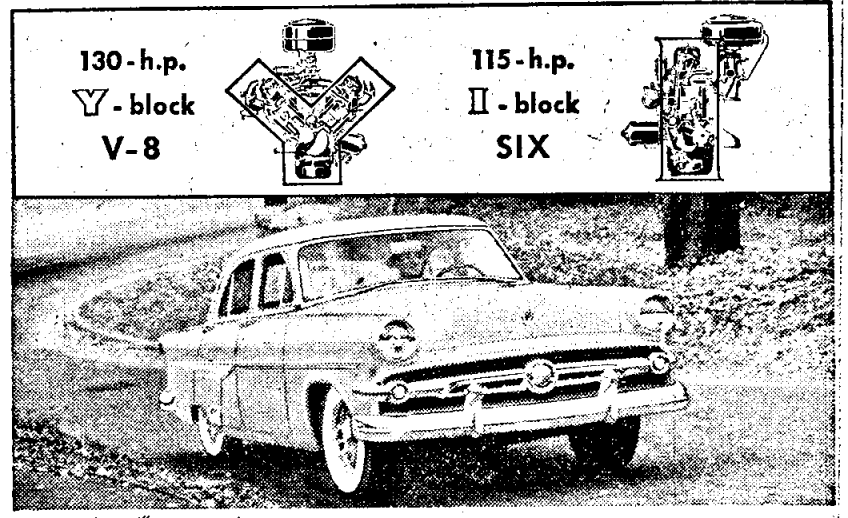


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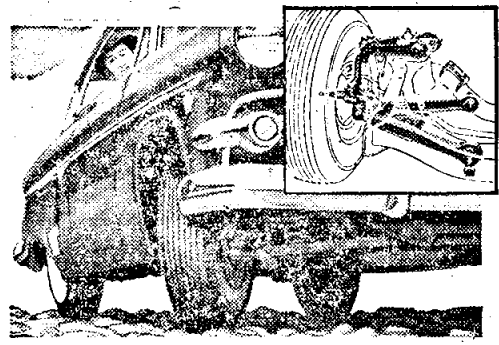
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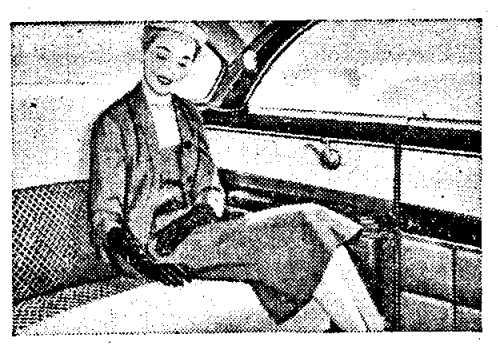
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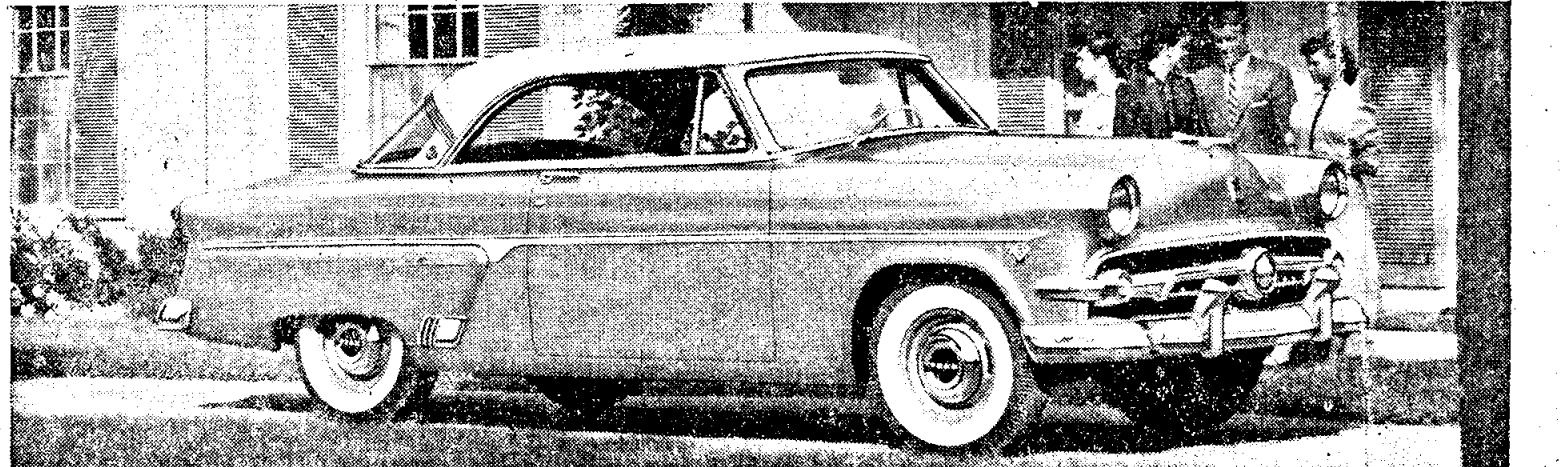
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New Insurance Plan Starts at Harwood

A new group insurance plan went into effect Jan. 1, in each of the three Harwood plants. All non-union employees in the three plants are covered under this plan. One hundred per cent of the non-union employees have accepted and are now enrolled in the program. Arrangements for the purchase of the insurance plan were made just prior to the Christmas holiday. The cost of the new insurance will be shared by the company and the employee — the company contributes 60 per cent of the premium, and the employee contributes 40 per cent. Coverage under this comprehensive plan includes life insurance, accidental death, sickness and accident and hospitalization.

Appalachian Will Construct Station

A new 132,000 volt transmission station will be built near Wytheville within the near future, giving the Smyth-Wythe area additional power, Appalachian Electric Power Company officials announced last week. D. P. Minichan, Pulaski district manager, stated that the contract has been let and work is expected to begin within the near future. The station will be located east of Wytheville, adjacent to the company's present substation. The station, to be tied in with Saltville and Marion, also will be connected with the Glen Lyn plant by a 34 mile transmission line.

New Cove

New Cove, Jan. 18 — The Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Shuler called on Mr. and Mrs. Harley Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Surber recently. Roy Roberts of Marion and Fred Roberts of Chatham Hill visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Roberts, Jan. 17. Misses Oneda and Eva Roe Turley are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Turley. They are employed in Marion. Mrs. Bobby Buchanan has gone to visit her husband, who is stationed in Texas. Mrs. W. W. Hubble of Nebo has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. F. Clear. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Clear, Mrs. Janet Moore and Mrs. Claude Taylor of English, W. Va., attended the funeral of Thomas Whitely Jan. 12 at Riverside church. Dr. and Mrs. N. C. Ratcliff of Richmond have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Clear. Miss Janet Roberts has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Roberts. She is employed in Marion.



JUNIOR KELL celebrated his first birthday Jan. 20. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kell of Chilhowie. Maternal and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walters and Mr. and Mrs. Lon Kell of Chilhowie.

mother, Mrs. Florence Myers, have gone to Maryland to live. Mr. Parks is employed there.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hutton and children were her sister and family from Maryland.

Mrs. George Arnold, Mrs. Charles Combs, Mrs. Roy Hall, Mrs. Mary Harmon and Miss Carrie Patrick visited Mr. and Mrs. Glen Pierce recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grogg visited his sisters, Mrs. Al Flick, and family and Miss Coleen Grogg in Bristol recently. Reece Hilt and Jimmy Hilt of Tannersville were dinner guests of the Ryburn Patricks Jan. 19.

Rye Valley

Mrs. S. C. Hutton, 488 Rye Valley, Jan. 25 — M-Sgt. Guy Ferguson, Quantico, M-Sgt. and Mrs. William Ferguson, Fort Knox, Ky., M-Sgt. Henry Ferguson, Camp Pickett, Sgt. 1-c Donald Ferguson, Petersburg, Miss Thelma Ferguson, Washington, D. C., Mrs. Worth Gambill and son, Rising Sun, Md., and Mrs. Virginia Olinger, Broadford, have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ferguson having been called here because of the death of their sister, Miss Daisy Ferguson. Mr. and Mrs. June Wood visited in Radford and Salem last week end. Little Johnnie Keesling, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Keesling, has been suffering from pneumonia but is some better.

Police of Marion Haul in 12 Drunks Over Week End

Twelve celebrators learned Saturday that the threat to keep Marion streets clean of loafers and drunkards was not an idle one. Town police hauled in the 12 who had taken on a few too many and had not heeded a previous warning to stay out of the business section. They were taken to the pokey for a cooling off period and then posted the usual bond of \$10 and costs. "The streets of Marion are no place to be drunk and getting in the way of our decent citizens," officers warned. "Marion is the center for shopping and business for all Smyth County and surrounding communities. We owe it to the people of this section to assure them of a nice, clean decent business section where their wives and daughters can come shop and visit their friends. Marion is not going to get the reputation which has hurt other towns, and we are going to keep our streets clear of those who insist on getting too much under their belts. If you must get drunk, stay out of town or be prepared to pay a fine."



OLIVER EUGENE VIPPERMAN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Vipperman, 337 Park St., Marion, celebrated his third birthday Jan. 19. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Reggie G. Keesee, Saltville, and Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Vipperman, Atkins.

Mrs. William B. Bishop and new daughter, Vickie Lee, Wassona Park, have returned from the Lee Memorial Hospital.

Lynn Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wright, Wassona Park, is confined to her home due to a case of mumps.

W. B. Bishop, Wassona Park, attended a dairy convention last week in Roanoke.

Mrs. W. M. Sclater Jr., Atkins Woodland, is a patient in the University of Virginia Hospital in Charlottesville.

MT. CARMEL

Mrs. Brown Wassum has returned to her home after being a patient for some days at the Lee Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Stuart Jones and son, Gate City, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Jones while her husband, Stuart, was on a business trip to Norfolk.

M. L. Fox, Richmond, was the week-end guest of his sister, Mrs. Charles Groseclose.

Government Row

Mrs. Albert Smith

Government Row, Jan. 25 — Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Heath and children of Abingdon spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Cassell. Prayer services were held Jan. 19 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Nichols.

Peggy Davidson has returned home after being a patient at the McKee Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eades, Miss June Davidson, Miss Evelyn Eades of Marion and Mrs. Will Evans and children of Poore Valley spent Jan. 17 with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Davidson.

Mrs. Otis Null fell and broke her arm last Wednesday. Mrs. Arthur Nutter and son of McCready spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Jim Rhea. Mrs. Rhea has been ill. Mrs. Sidney Sword has returned home after being a patient at the McKee Hospital for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Poston and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Mac Poston Saturday.

Mrs. Blanche Smith of Marion has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Davidson, and family.

Mrs. George Davidson and daughter and Mrs. Bessie

Davidson spent Sunday in White Gate visiting relatives.

Mrs. J. L. DeBord and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Surber at McCready.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Borders visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Borders, Sunday.

Shelby Lee spent Saturday night with Peggy Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Sexton Call of Poore Valley spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Coe.

Harry Surber of Superior, W. Va., spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rhea and family.

Row visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Haynes Jr. and family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Prater and family had as Sunday dinner guests Mrs. Bob Allison, Mrs. Margaret Miller and daughter and Miss Christina Price, all of Saltville.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Totten and baby were the Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ked Brinkley, and Shirley.

Mrs. C. W. Holmes and children visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Allen, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Peggy Sanders of Government Row was the overnight guest of Miss Shelby Lee last Friday.

Mrs. Rachell Campbell, Bud and Mack of Hankel visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Campbell and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Price Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Collins and Gail have moved.

Mrs. Dock Helton and Mrs. Bascom Campbell visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Campbell and family last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Price spent last week end in Norfolk.

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Nick's Creek

MISS CARRIE PATRICK

Nick's Creek, Jan. 18 — Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Combs and daughters have had as recent guests Mr. and Mrs. Lester Filler of Dayton, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Snuffer of Christiansburg, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Cook and family of Lebanon and Mrs. Combs' father, G. C. Crabtree, of Cleveland. Mr. and Mrs. George Arnold and Miss Evelyn Arnold visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wyatt and daughter Sunday night at State Park. Mrs. Dora Bonham, who has spent sometime with her daughter, Mrs. Roy Hall, and family, has gone to Camp to visit a niece. Mrs. Mary Harmon spent Jan. 14 and 15 in Charlottesville. Mrs. S. P. Arnold is ill. Glen Pierce recently went to a Roanoke hospital for a check-up. Little Jimmy and Gary Cook of Lebanon spent a few days recently with their aunt, Mrs. Charlie Combs, and family while their mother, Mrs. Ervin Cook, stayed with a daughter at a Lynchburg hospital. Mrs. Kenneth Parks and children, David and Ava, who spent some time with her

Royal Oak

MRS. CLARA HILL CARNER

Royal Oak, Jan. 19 — Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson and daughter, Alice Ann, formerly of Marion but now living in Bristol, were recent week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Jones, Wassona Park.

Mrs. Newell Atkins, North Main Street, has improved from a recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Leonard Mauck, Greer Street, were recent guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Soyars, Saltville.

Stuart Ellis, Wassona Park, left Jan. 11 for Florida. He was accompanied by Miss Elma Legard as far as Savannah, Ga., where she will visit her relative, Mrs. Georgie Keller Dutton, who remains an invalid.

Sarah Thomas, North Main Street, who was ill over the week end, was able to return to school Jan. 18.

Mrs. J. B. Warren, North Main Street, received a severe fall, striking the back of her head Jan. 11, on Main Street at Broadway. She is hospitalized.

Mrs. M. M. Brown Jr., Wassona Park, who has been a patient at the Lee Memorial Hospital, has returned home somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. David Cox and baby, Aiken, S. C., have returned home after visiting her mother.

Billy Bishop, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bishop, Wassona Park, is ill with chicken pox.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Widener and family, who have been living in Royal Oak, have recently moved west of Marion on the Lee Highway.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Ellis, North Main Street, left last week for Daytona Beach, Fla.

Justin Scott, Holston Avenue, and James Scott, Wassona Park, went on a business trip to High Point, N. C., recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wright and Charles Wassum, Wassona Park, went to Richmond to attend the inauguration of the new governor.

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Sports Chatter

By Charles Martin

The idea of increasing the sports scope for the smaller Group Three schools in this area will come to a head at the meeting to be held at Independence Feb. 3. This will be an important meeting for all Group Three schools as the six man football program is at stake. If enough schools do not outfit teams in the District I this coming football season, the schools will go back to basketball and baseball only.

The district operated in the past season with only four teams, making it necessary for the schools to play each other at least two games. This was necessary to fill out the full football schedule for the school. If six or eight schools would enter the Group Three six man football picture, this would enable a better six man football program to be carried on.

Rural Retreat, the defending champion is sure to re-enter the league. Speedwell entered last season along with Pembroke. If Sugar Grove were allowed to play six man football, this would boost the district to a great extent. Independence, Bland and Floyd will be three other schools that may enter the district. This number of schools would give the schools six different schools to play during the football season and keep the six man football alive in this section.

The main problem for the schools with the limited number enrolled is that of practice. In most of the schools the boys who would go out for the program live out from the school far enough that it is a headache to bring them in for the practice sessions. If some arrangement could be worked out to furnish some type of transportation for the boys that go out for the sport this would be finished.

Charles Franzen is doing a great job for the smaller children in the community in the weekly basketball practice for the grade school children. Mr. Franzen is helping train the boys to play basketball and is giving them a chance for experience during the regular high school basketball games. The boys who are good enough to play are allowed to play during the half time at the regular games.

At the practice the past Saturday there were about 40 boys who turned out for the practice. This practice is for any grade school child and is held at the high school gym from 1 p. m. until 2 p. m. each Saturday.

Two teams played at the Saltville-Marion high school game Saturday night. The red team consisted of Herb Widner, Phil Estep, Joe Thompson, Pat Jennings, Charles Lincoln and Ray Courtney. The white team was Bill Woody, Bob Graybeal, Ronnie Hounshell, Eddie Altizer, Kenny Greer and Larry Booth.

Plans Made for Archery Hunting in Smyth County

The Indian days may be here again. A campaign has been started in Smyth County to set aside an open season on deer, with hunters armed only with bows and arrows.

Petitions are being circulated this week for signers requesting this archery hunting in a designated part of Jefferson National Forest. Hurricane is being eyed as an ideal spot for the deer stalkers.

This petition will be sent to the Game and Inland Fisheries Commission in Richmond, requesting that a two or three day season be considered, possibly just before opening the regular season with guns.

Archery hunting has become increasingly popular within the past few years. Many sections of the country, including two

counties of Virginia east of the Blue Ridge, have such hunting, attracting many bow and arrow experts each year.

Plans call for the supervised use of bows and arrows, with bag limits and such, if the proposal goes through. Cel Robinson and others interested in this form of sport state that if allowed, archery classes, possibly under the supervision of the Marion Recreation Commission, will be started, with free instructions for all.

Mr. Robinson has copies of the petition, which may be signed at his store, this week end. The petitions, along with a letter from the group instituting the sport, will be sent the commission Saturday or Monday.

Ice Plant Takes High Honors In Saltville League

The Ice Plant team captured the high honors in the Saltville Duck Pin League at Plasterco in matches Tuesday night with a 563 for the high team game and a 1,597 for the high team series.

Robert Gates captured the individual high honors with a 140 for the high individual game and a 344 for the high individual series.

In the matches Wednesday night the Hancklites team grabbed high honors with a 553 for the high team game and a 1,615 for the high team series. Dick Porter clinched the high individual honors with a 131 for the high game and a 356 for the high series.

Saltville Duck Pin League Bowling Standings

LAST WEEK			
TUESDAY NIGHT			
Chlorine 2	—	Shannon 1	
Caustic 2	—	Chilhowie 1	
WEDNESDAY NIGHT			
Central 3	—	US Gypsum 0	
Hancklites 2	—	Mill Room 1	
Glade 2	—	Worthy Mine 1	
Team			
W	L	Pct.	
Hancklites	9	3	.750
Caustic	8	4	.667
Chilhowie	7	5	.583
Shannon Mutual	7	5	.583
Central Service	6	6	.500
Mill Room	6	6	.500
Glade Hardware	6	6	.500
Ice Plant	6	6	.500
Chlorine	5	7	.417
Taylor's Esso	4	8	.333
Worthy Mine	4	8	.333
US Gypsum	4	8	.333

Faculty Teams Win in March Of Dimes Tilts

The two Marion High School faculty teams won out over the Marion civic team and the women's team in the basketball game sponsored by the Jaycees for the March of Dimes drive.

The first was the faculty women and the Marion women playing in the curtain raiser. The faculty team won a 31-28 victory. Jo Jean Brillheart was high scorer for the faculty team with 16 points. Barbara

Maupin scored 11 points for the faculty team. Dot Sutter scored 17 points to pace the losers.

FACULTY
Greenwood
Turpin
Simpkins
Sams
Franzen
Sebastain
Brillheart 16
Maupin 11
McConnell
Hoge
Jones 2
Yeago 2
Martha Hull
Marjorie DeWitt

The men's team captured a 37-32 victory over the Marion civic club members.

Charles Franzen was high scorer for the faculty team with nine points. Lawrence Richardson scored six points to be high for the civic team.

WOMEN'S
Sutter 17
Jennings 3
King
Franzen
Callan
Adams
Prater
Riddell 2
Hubble
Buchanan
Weavil 2

CIVIC
Hart 5
Richardson 6
Hubble 3
Callan
Lawrence 2

The game was sponsored by the Marion Junior Chamber of Commerce with all proceeds going to the March of Dimes drive.

RURAL RETREAT 55
SPEEDWELL 25

The hot Rural Retreat quintet rolled up another District T victory over the hapless Speedwell five at Rural Retreat Tuesday night in a 55-25 contest.

Eddie Dean paced the winners with 18 points. Ellis slipped in 13 points. Stur paced the losers with eight points, and Bledsoe bucketed six points to help fill the bill.

Rural Retreat grabbed a 23-18 lead at the midway mark and continued to hold the front end of the battle.

In the curtain raiser the Speedwell sextet upset the Rural Retreat girls in a 37-28 tilt.

Rural Retreat Speedwell
Lindsey 8 f Stur 8

High School Basketball Results

RICH VALLEY 31
SUGAR GROVE 30

The Rich Valley Steers, after looking throughout the first part of the season for a victory, topped the Sugar Grove Maple Leafs in a thrilling 31-30 contest at Sugar Grove Monday night.

Don Carter set the scoring pace for the winners and the game with 13 points, Hall bucketed 11 points for the losers.

The Steers grabbed a 7-4 lead at the end of the first period and held the slim margin throughout the game.

Rich Valley Sugar Grove
D. Carter 13 g Hall 11
P. Buchanan 5 g Fannin
J. Carter 5 c Hash 8
Worley 4 f Jennell 6
Tuggle 4 f Brooks
Rich Valley 7 4 13 7-31
Sugar Grove 4 6 9 11-30

Substitutes — Sugar Grove: Medley 3, Rich Valley: Henderson.

GIRLS
The Sugar Grove girls captured the curtain raiser in a 60-54 battle.

Nancy Odum set the pace for the losers and the game with 26 points, Peggy Slemp bucketed 25 points for Sugar Grove, and Mary Barton chipped in with 24 points.

The Sugar Grove girls captured the opener in a 42-35 contest.

Mary Barton set the pace for the game and for Sugar Grove with 22 points, Peggy Slemp and Donna Barton shared honors with 10 points each for the Sugar Grove sextet, Kinder and Neff set the pace for the losers with 14 points each.

Sugar Grove Rural Retreat
Slemp 10 f Kinder 14
M. Barton 22 f Fulton 7
D. Barton 10 f Neff 14
Calhoun g Carhart
Musick g Anders
Robbins g Kidd
Sugar Grove 21 10 4 7-42
Rural Retreat 20 6 2 7-35

Substitutes — Sugar Grove: none. Rural Retreat: Sult, Burklely.

MARION GIRLS 42
GLADE SPRING 29

The Marion High sextet upset the Glade Spring girls in an easy 42-29 contest at Marion Thursday night.

Carolyn Lambert set a hot pace for the winners with 20 points, and Martha Buchanan bucketed 11 points. Williams was high scorer for the losers, with 18 points, and Gill with 13 points was second.

Marion pos Glade Spring
Buchanan 11 f Arrington 5
Lambert 29 f Gill 13
McDonald 8 f Williams 18
Richardson g Price
Vernon g Craig
Murray g Wheeler

Substitutes — Marion: Pruner 3, Williams, Young, Glade Spring: Nye, Hancock, Fore 6, B. Fore.

JV GIRLS
The Marion junior varsity girls upset the junior varsity girls of Glade in a 29-23 curtain raiser.

Isbet Anderson was high scorer for the Marion girls with 19 points. Williams and Jeanette Fore set the pace for the losers with eight points each.

Marion JV pos Glade Spring
Casteel 2 f Owens 5
Anderson 19 f Williams 8
Query 3 f J. Fore 8
Pierce g Atkinson
Boone g A. Fore
Moore g Gates

Substitutes — Marion: Jasik 5, Sheets, Horton, Rector, Dutton, Glade Spring: Wells 1, Gill 1, Hodge.

MARION 53
SALTVILLE 48

The Marion Scarlet Hurricane came from behind in the final period at Marion Saturday night to out point the Saltville Shakers in a close 53-48 contest.

The visiting Shakers were on the front end of a 36-34 score that fell to the Hurricane rally as Don Baker, Fred Query, Bob Reedy and Dick Williams started the breeze to blow in the third period. Baker bucketed 16 points to set the pace for the Hurricane with Williams slipping in 12 points and Reedy and Query hitting with 10 points each. Floyd Lawrence set the pace for the visitors with 21 points, and Warren Yontz chipped in with 10.

Marion pos Saltville
Reedy 10 f Yontz 10
Query 10 f Holmes 1
Baker 16 c Smith 8
Thompson 2 g Lawrence 21
George 3 g Colley 8

Substitutes — Marion: Williams 12, Young, Saltville: Campbell, Tucker.

SALTVILLE 58
RICH VALLEY 40

The Saltville Shakers clinched a quick victory over the Rich Valley Steers at Rich Valley Friday night in a 58-40

Beaver Creek

Beaver Creek, Jan. 25 — W. B. Olinger was called home due to the death of his aunt, Mrs. Sue Troutman, in Marion. Those from here who attended her funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Olinger, Mrs. J. E. Coe and Mrs. James H. Call.

Those visiting E. H. Call and family Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Call of North Holston, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fullen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Olinger and children, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burgess and Bill and Mr. and Mrs. John Louthen of Saltville.

Jim Coe and Bobby Gates of the U S Army recently spent a few days with their parents. Billie Surber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Early Surber, has been in the Wilson McKee Eye Hospital in Johnson City, Tenn., due to an eye injury received while playing. He has returned home much improved.

Mrs. Garrett McVey has returned home from the Abingdon Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Olinger called on Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Olinger Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Surber and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Allen Call Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Keesee visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bailey, and Jane this week end.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Buchanan Sunday were Hognes Buchanan of Saltville, Bill W. Boestevina, Virginia and Virgie Littrell.

FAST PENCIL RESULTS IN MANY RED FACES

Hastily written notes for a story about a basketball game at Rural Retreat last week resulted in a face reddening mistake for the Smyth County News.

A reporter for the newspaper went up to Rural Retreat to get the story on the formal opening game at the new gym.

In taking notes for the tilt he hastily wrote down Jan. 21 as the date for the game, the correct date. He failed to put the day of the week down, being in a hurry and thinking the calendar date would be sufficient.

Later in the day in writing the story the date was misread for Jan. 25. Needless to say there has been some confusion.

And the moral to this story? It is for students in school at present. Do as we say and not as we do. Learn to write clearly, even when in a hurry.

Greenwood

MRS. EVERETTE BOX

Greenwood, Jan. 25 — Members of the Greenwood Methodist Sunday School have thus far donated about \$90 toward the March of Dimes.

P. B. Copenhaver has been ill at his home recently but is somewhat improved at this time.

Pvt. Wilburn Cummings arrived home Saturday from Camp Gordon, Ga., to spend a 14 days' leave with home folks.

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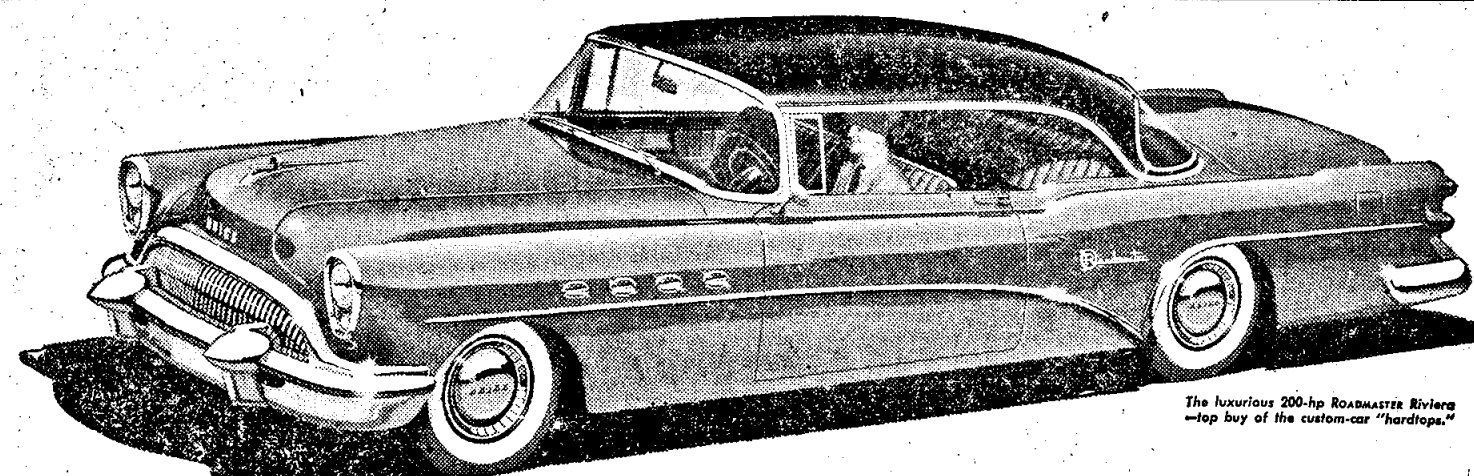
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All persons having in their possession a dog or dogs four months old or older are required by the Virginia State Dog Law to purchase the proper 1954 dog tags no later than January 31, and to keep the tags on all dogs at all times except while being hunted with.

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I have been instructed by the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries to start checking dog tags immediately on January 31.

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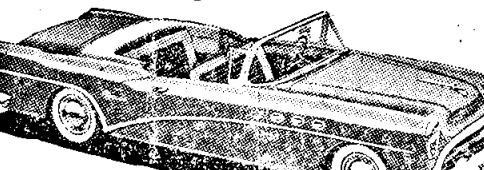
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Mrs. Peoples Is Hostess, Speaker At Club Meeting

Mrs. T. Q. Peoples was hostess and speaker for the Saltville Garden Club, which met in the activities room of Madam Russell Methodist Church Jan. 14.

Mrs. Peoples gave an interesting talk on "Pruning and Feeding Shrubs," "Time for Planting Roses," "Suitable Flower Containers and Holders" and "Decorative Plants for the Kitchen."

Mrs. Walter Stuart reported on the prizes awarded at Christmas for the most attractively decorated doorways. First prize was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones, second prize to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Home and third prize to Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Moore.

Mrs. George Beamer Is Honored With Dessert Bridge

Mrs. Harry S. Williams and Mrs. James T. Bishop entertained at the home of the former in Chilhowie recently with a dessert bridge party.

The honor guest was Mrs. George Leslie Beamer Jr., a recent bride.

Table decorations were original designs using the army motif. Miniature "pup" tents were on green grass in the shape of Austria, where Mrs. Beamer's husband is stationed on army duty, and soldiers were standing by each tent. Place cards were also soldiers.

Mrs. W. E. Martin received the high score prize, Mrs. George Maust, second high, and Mrs. Hobart McCormick, low score prize. Game prize went to Mrs. W. G. Echols Jr. Mrs. Beamer received an honor gift.

Bride of E. L. Musser



Miss Mary Dale McFarland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McFarland, of Rural Retreat became the bride of Ernest Lee Musser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marco Musser, also of Rural Retreat, Jan. 2 at the home of the officiating minister, the Rev. H. L. Little, of Atkins.

Engagements

HARVEY-BASS

Mrs. Rosetta Mayberry Harvey of Max Meadows announces the engagement of her daughter, Patsy Dow, to Joseph R. Bass Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bass of Marion.

Miss Harvey is the daughter of the late Lawrence Crews Harvey and the granddaughter of the Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Mayberry of Galax.

The wedding will take place in late February.

Marriages

HURT-PARKS

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd L. Parks of Rural Retreat announce

the marriage of their daughter, Ethel Cleo, to James William Hurt, son of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Hurt, of Rural Retreat Jan. 20.

The Rev. J. R. Shumate performed the double ring ceremony at his home in Sugar Grove at 5 o'clock.

New Smyth Citizens



Marion General

Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Jenkins, Independence, girl, Jan. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wright, Marion, girl, Jan. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hall, Sugar Grove, boy, Jan. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. William Barton, Grant, boy, Jan. 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hall, Rt. 1, Marion, boy, Jan. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Estel Blevins, Trout Dale, girl, Jan. 26.

Lee Memorial

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Wagner, Rt. 2, Glade Spring, boy, Jan. 24.

Thomas K. McKee

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Barrett, Saltville, girl, Jan. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Herndon, Saltville, boy, Jan. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hayton, Saltville, girl, Jan. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Collins, Saltville, girl, Jan. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Harris, Saltville, boy, Jan. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. James Null, Saltville, girl, Jan. 23.

Greener Clinic

Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Barr, Chilhowie, girl, Dec. 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Combs, Chilhowie, boy, Jan. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Osborne, North Holston, boy, Jan. 10.

HOSPITAL PATIENTS

Lee Memorial Tuesday, Jan. 26 Medical

Eva Hicks, Mrs. C. J. Heron, Mrs. Arnold Overbay, Mrs. John Wright, Mrs. J. S. Testerman, Marvin Robinson, Earl Tibbs, Mrs. A. A. Slagle, Mrs. Paul McGhee, baby Ralph Preston Glass, baby Glenda Glass, Malcolm T. Wright, Harold Burgess, Mrs. Thomas Flannagan, Mrs. John Byrd, Mrs. H. B. Robinson, Marion; Jack Phipps, Fox; Mrs. W. D. Cassell, Mrs. Bessie Lowe, Chilhowie; Mrs. P. A. James, Wytheville; Mrs. W. F. Warren, A. I. Hamilton, Glade Spring; Mrs. Jane Petty, R. C. Huddle, Mrs. Fred Stowers, Rural Retreat; M. B. Parks, Sugar Grove; Walter Holdaway, Mouth of Wilson; Mrs. W. H. Gollehon, Seven Mile Ford; Mrs. William Huffman, Atkins.

Surgical

Mrs. Guy M. Browning, Miss June Kirk, Mrs. Ralph Stump, Mrs. G. T. Hull, Marion; Mrs. Arthur L. Testerman, Trout Dale; Mrs. Nancy Blevins, Sugar Grove; Mrs. M. C. Shaver, Independence; Mrs. Dorothy Taylor, Wytheville; Mrs. Ruth H. Harrington, Grant; Mrs. S. T. Atkins, Atkins; E. F. Thomas, Bristol, Tenn.

Accident

Finley Gullion, Mrs. J. H. McCoy, Miss Willie Sprinkle, Marion; Howard Wayne Goode, Willard Hayes, Chilhowie; Miss Edith Moore, Mrs. Delia Widener, Rural Retreat.

Miss Sheffey Speaks At Marion PTA Meet

Miss Carolyn Sheffey last Wednesday at the Marion Parent-Teacher Association discussed her work in bringing home and school closer together.

Miss Sheffey, who has been visiting teacher for Smyth County for the past eight years, told of her experiences in serving as a link between home and school. During the past year 562 children were referred to Miss Sheffey by principals of schools, teachers, civic organizations and churches.

Miss Sheffey stressed the fact that she is not a truant officer, because her work is primarily a service to children. She tries to help those who are doing unsatisfactory school work because of health problems, timidity or shyness, physical handicaps or other causes. Miss Sheffey seeks to determine the cause for the child's becoming a problem.

Miss Sheffey is one of the 90 visiting teachers in Virginia, most of whom are women.

The meeting was held in the cafeteria of the Marion Elementary School and was presided over by Mrs. Fred Graybeal.

Miss Margaret Buchanan gave the devotional, and Mrs. Newell Hutchinson reported a balance of \$618 on hand.

The organization approved a recommendation from the executive board that the PTA purchase two study maps and two nature books at a cost of \$42.90; five sets of records for \$38.50; 20 pairs of tennis shoes for \$39.60, and one projector screen for \$31.25.

Members also voted to assist

in advertising the Mothers' March on polio.

Howard Williams, principal, announced that the Valentine parties given by home room mothers will be held Friday, Feb. 12.

Broadford

Broadford, Jan. 25 — Mrs. Fred Coe has returned home after being a patient in the McKee Hospital for two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coe and Mr. and Mrs. Rob Coe and Libby of Chilhowie visited her Sunday evening.

Wesley Thomas remains ill at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Barr of Chilhowie, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Coe and Rosemary, Mrs. George Coe, Phyllis and Judy were visitors of Mrs. Ocie Frye Sunday evening.

Mary Virginia Coe, who recently underwent a tonsillectomy at the McKee Hospital, has now recovered and returned to her job.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Whitely visited Mr. and Mrs. Junior Young of Nebo Sunday evening.

Mrs. Al Whitely and Mrs. A. P. Buchanan recently visited Mrs. Nannie Patrick of Saltville. "Aunt Nan" recently fell and broke her hip.

Bradley Ratcliffe is a patient in the McKee Hospital. His condition is reported improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Olinger of Manassas are the parents of a son, Charles Lee, born Dec. 30. Mrs. Olinger is the former Katherine Ratcliffe.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Taylor and Curtis, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kinder and family of North Tazewell.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clear of Rural Retreat visited Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Clear Sunday.

Hughes Crucey, who is serving with the Air Force in Geneva, N. Y., is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brady Crucey.

Karen Osborne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Osborne, cut the end of one of her fingers off on a bicycle last week. She was an overnight patient in the McKee Hospital.

"Uncle Charlie Harris," who underwent surgery at the Lee Memorial Hospital, is now at home and is much improved.

Royal Oak

Mrs. CLARA HILL CARNER DIAL 3-3682

Royal Oak, Jan. 26 — Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Kent, Chilhowie Road, are spending the winter in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Ellis, North Main Street, while they are in Florida.

Mrs. J. B. Warren returned to her home on North Main Street from being hospitalized due to a fall in which she severed two arteries in the back of her head.

Mrs. Julian Collins drove her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Ellis, to Florida last week. En route they stopped to visit their relative, Mrs. Georgie Keller Dutton, in Savannah, Ga.

Out-of-town relatives attending the funeral of Mrs. W. V. Birchfield Sr., at her home, "Birbon Hall," last Wednesday were her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. James Birchfield, Leesburg; her granddaughter and

husband, the Rev. and Mrs. William A. Clebsch, Alexandria; a niece, Mrs. B. S. Clements, and her daughter, Mrs. Russell Felt, Princeton, W. Va.; a niece, Mrs. Harry W. Payne, McCombes, W. Va.; a great-niece, Mrs. Joe Hensley, Bluefield, W. Va.; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Bob Bonham and daughter, Mrs. Shumate, Rich Creek, and Miss Cora Nelson, Princeton, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCarty, Jr. and baby, Christiansburg, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McCarty, Park Boulevard.

Mrs. Robert S. Laurence, Richmond, was called home due to the death of her mother, Mrs. J. H. Troutman, whose funeral was conducted last Wednesday.

MT. CARMEL

Mrs. C. W. Repass, who has been a patient at the Lee Memorial Hospital, returned home last week.

F. S. Lampe, who has been suffering from a dislocated shoulder, is feeling better.

Mr. and Mrs. Scherer Lampe have received word of the marriage of J. Burt Kincer, retired meteorologist with the United States Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C., to Mrs. Esther Tinker. Mr. Kincer's first wife was the late Miss Cora Lampe.

Children called home due to the death of their father, W. M. Pugh, were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pugh, Douthat State Park; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lindamood, Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Ross Boyer and three children, Bedford; and Miss Betty Kaylor, Bristol.

Poore Valley

MRS. JAMES PRATER

Poore Valley, Jan. 25 — Miss Patsy Rogers spent last Sunday visiting friends in Pleasant.

Mrs. Alice Frye spent the past Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. Mary Frye.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Poston and family of Hayter's Gap and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Surber of Lick Skillet spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Frye.

Mrs. Kathleen Prater and children visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Crucey, and Lila Sunday. Mrs. Pauline Davidson and Butch were supper guests of Mrs. Prater Sunday evening.

Sgt. Montgomery Frye spent the week end with his wife and children, Stevie and Debra.

Mrs. Milton Frye attended the funeral of her niece in W. Virginia last week.

Mrs. Clyde Frye and Mrs. James Prater attended a household shower in Allison Gap for Mrs. Jimmie Chapman last Friday night.

Mrs. David Talbert, who has been a patient in the McKee Hospital, has returned home.

Spratt's Creek

HELEN COMPTON

Spratt's Creek, Jan. 25 — A revival is in progress at Goodman's Chapel. It is being conducted by the Rev. T. B. Littell and the Rev. Mr. Goodpasture.

John Waddle has been ill. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitaker of Bristol visited H. E. Campbell, Mrs. Bill Nutter and Mrs. Billy Cook Neal last week end.

Helen, Hobert and Darr Compton recently spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. John Compton.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Atwell, Mrs. J. H. Groseclose, Mrs. Gervis Atwell and Maurice and Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Ferguson visited Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Ferguson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Goodman and children of West Jefferson, N. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Turley of Marion recently visited Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Atwell.

Bob Coulthard of Chilhowie spent last Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. John Compton.

Miss Wanda Fielas recently spent the night with Miss Saily Atwell.

Mrs. C. A. Kinder, Dottie Jean Horne, Mrs. Charlie Gates and children visited friends in Poore Valley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gervis Atwell and Marlene visited Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Groseclose last Friday night.

MIRIAM FRAZIER IS LISTED ON HONOR ROLL

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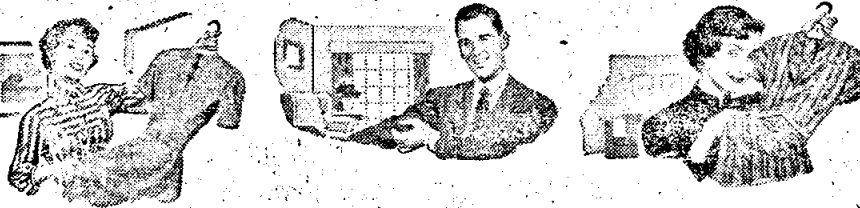
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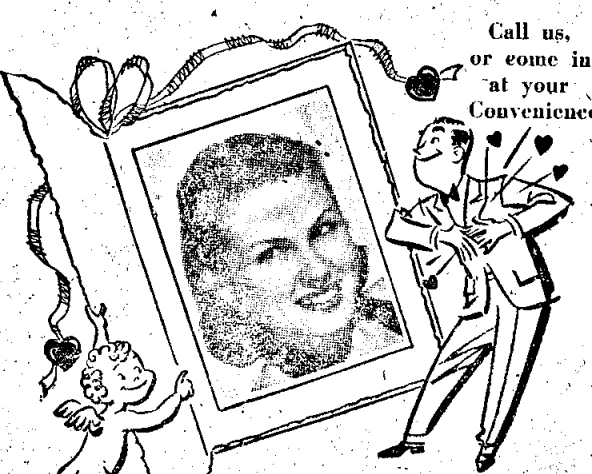
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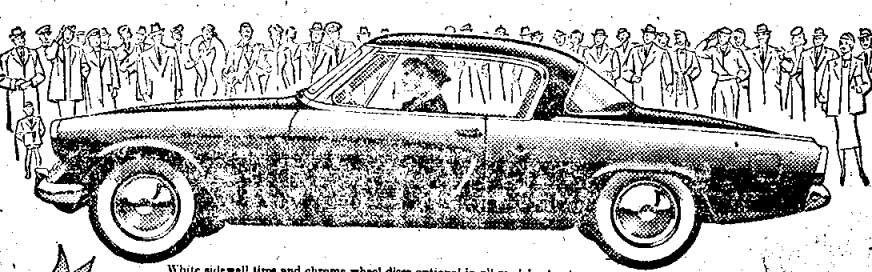


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Saltville High School

NANCY KELLY

BETA CLUB had a meeting Jan. 25 at the fourth period in Room 2.

COMMERCIAL CLUB had a meeting Jan. 21 at the third period in Room 12.

Marion High School

ANN VERNON

ASSEMBLY — The art department was in charge of the assembly program. The guest speaker was Miss Ruby Ball. She spoke on "Why People Paint as They Do." She also showed slides illustrating the advancement of art down through the different periods of history.

Gale Martin led the singing of "My Old Kentucky Home." Scottie Peavler led the flag salute, and Eugene Copenhaver led the devotions.

BETA CLUB — Elizabeth Wayland was in charge of the devotions at the meeting.

The following committee was appointed to prepare a budget for the club: Martha Buchanan, chairman; Bebe Birchfield; Lester Hall and Kathleen Widner.

A committee also was appointed to work on the Spring Beta Club Talent Show. These were Donna Boone, Robert Young, Pat McCreedy and Charles Seaver.

Rural Retreat High School

BETTY JEAN GROSECLOSE

THE SCA president, Sara Neff, called the meeting to order and the group sang the Alma Mater.

The Tri-Hi-Y was in charge of devotions. Janie Heldreth read the First Psalm.

The guest speaker was introduced by Elsie Kinder, Tri-Hi-Y president. James L. Gleaves spoke for the March of Dimes. He is a lawyer from Wytheville. Mr. Steffy will be the chairman for Rural Retreat and Miss Katherine Etter for the school.

David Hilton, photographer, posted a list for group pictures. They were taken Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Clear made some announcements and adjourned the meeting.

TRI-HI-Y met Jan. 14 for the monthly meeting. The roll was called and the members answered with a Bible verse. Business was discussed. A note from one of the former members, Miss Barbara Ward, was read.

A group picture was taken for the annual and refreshments were served by the committee.

The Hi-Y and Torch-Y also met for monthly meetings.

Sugar Grove High School

SYLVIA SCOTT

Last Friday the high school was highly honored with a visit by Captain L. E. Thomas and Trooper K. M. Pugh of the Virginia State Highway Police.

W. B. Calhoun introduced Captain Thomas to a large audience of students and faculty members. Captain Thomas gave a very forceful lecture on building character for the future by preserving health and constantly seeking knowledge as the only pre-requisite for success in life.

Captain Thomas stressed the fact of highway fatalities giving statistics as proof of disregard for the highway markers and man made laws and for the laws of nature that contribute a great part, such as weather, condition of the highway, speed and centrifugal force on curves.

Principal French Kregler was profuse in his thanks and appreciation to Captain Thomas.

The total amount collected for United States savings stamps and bonds so far is \$140. The Junior class is leading in the drive.

Mrs. Hazel Shaffer, a representative from NBC in Roanoke, spoke to the junior and senior classes Friday morning. She also showed a movie relating facts about the college.



MRS. BETTY MOSER AND MRS. OLIVE CAMPBELL are giving the sales and job application demonstrations at the Distributive Education Convention held last Wednesday at Marion, when the Marion DE Club was host to clubs from Appalachia, William King, George Wythe and Pulaski High Schools.

Billy and Gail were the dinner guests of his parents in Bland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. DeBord, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Watson and children and Miss Mae Robinette were the dinner guests of Mrs. J. A. Stephenson and daughters Sunday.

Miss Peggy Stephenson spent a recent week end in Bristol as the guest of Miss Helen McAllister, a college roommate. Miss McAllister, who lives at Saltville, teaches in Bristol.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Bowling, Charlie Webb, Mrs. Edgar Hubble Carson and Claude Webb attended the funeral of Mrs. Jim Troutman in Marion last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Oakes and children, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gillespie visited the Claude Burnops recently and watched television.

Among those who visited John Coe Sunday afternoon were Mrs. Ella Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Con Snider, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mash, Mr. and Mrs. Clark and John Oakes. Mr. Coe is recovering from a bad case of pneumonia.

Miss Meiba Bowling and friend of Radford visited her parents Sunday.

George Pratt was a recent visitor of his sister, Mrs. Rob Carter, and Mr. Carter.

George Fred Cook took Mrs. Dameron to her home in Bartley, W. Va., Jan. 17.

Jimmy Neal now spends the nights with his grandmother, Mrs. W. O. Neal. He is a senior at Rich Valley High School.

Atkins

MRS. ROY S. LAMBERT

Atkins, Jan. 25 — Miss Shirley Williams of Radford State Teachers College spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Williams.

Alec Willis Kegley of the U S Air Force is spending a 30 days' furlough with his parents. He recently returned from Okinawa. He will return

Currin Valley and Attoway

MRS. ZOLLIE V. FOWLER

Jan. 25 — C. L. Marchant was transferred from a Roanoke hospital to the Veterans hospital in Richmond. He is suffering from injuries received while serving in the Air Force with the occupation forces in Germany several months ago. Pedro Garza is somewhat improved after medical treatment at Lee Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Vaught visited her mother, Mrs. Lee Gaunty, at Rugby recently.

The Rev. W. B. Shelton has returned from Roanoke, where he was engaged in an evangelistic campaign for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal were called to Abingdon recently due to the death of his nephew.

Warren Sayers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Sayers, was discharged from the armed services recently and has returned to his work with Harwood. He spent a year in Korea.

Dewey Sayers continues ill at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell are well again after several weeks of illness.

Little Wanda Richardson has been ill but is much improved.

Ronald Winters spent a recent week end with his cousin, Mack Fowler. On the same week end Charlie Fowler was a guest of Gerald Winters at Mt. Carmel.

Chatham Hill

MRS. CLAUDE BURNOP

Chatham Hill, Jan. 25 — The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Shuler were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Neal Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Neel,



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Lick Creek

MRS. MARY SHUPE

Lick Creek, Jan. 25 — Prayer meeting will be held this Saturday night at the home of Kent Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Myers have returned to their home after visiting her sister, Mrs. Marvin Turley, Mr. Turley and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Harmon in Rockville, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shupe and Frank White have moved to Bland County.

Mrs. Nannie Myers spent Thursday with Mrs. Euce Young. Mrs. Young visited Mrs. Fred Umbarger Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Shupe have moved in with Mrs. Will Hubble.

Mrs. Robert Hubble, who underwent surgery at Lee Memorial Hospital, is at home and improving.

Robert Hubble, who became ill last week and was taken to a hospital, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cooper and children spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Euce Young.

Little Johnnie Shupe, who has had the measles, is improving.

Billy Shupe, who has been ill for two weeks, was able to go back to school this week.

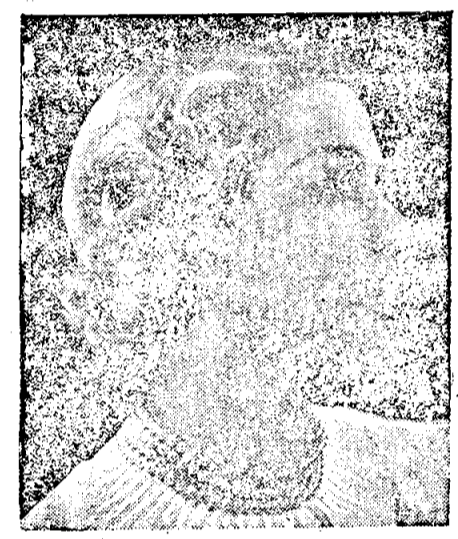
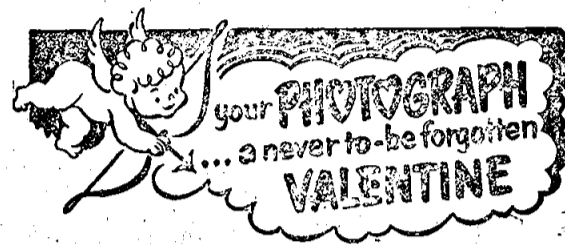
Mrs. Luther Pruitt and Mrs. Harmon Edmonds are ill. L. H. Pruitt, who has been ill, is improved.

Mrs. Junior Young visited Mrs. Euce Young recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Culp and Miss Corrine Thompson visited their mother, Mrs. Will Thompson, last week.

Junior Shupe spent the night recently with Robert Simons and Dick in Pineville, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cooper and family have moved to Marion, where he is employed.



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Pvt. Clifton E. Robinson, son of Ray Robinson, Rt. 2, Marion, was recently assigned to the Combat Training Command, Fort Benning, Ga.

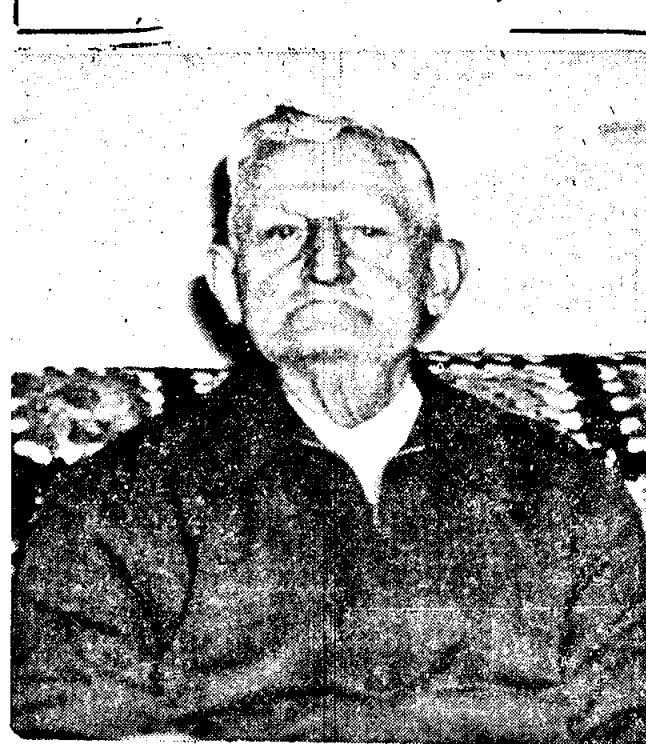
Pvt. Robinson's unit, which supports the activities of the Infantry School, demonstrates battle-tested techniques to students from every army area in the United States and from many allied nations.

WIDENER COMPLETES 8 WEEKS OF TRAINING

Pvt. W. R. Widner, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Widner, Marion, has completed eight weeks of basic training at the Camp Gordon Replacement Training Center.

Upon completion of these first eight weeks, Widner is ready to continue infantry training or to attend one of the Army's many specialist schools located throughout the country.

Who's Who in Smyth



WYNDHAM R. ROBERTS, 73, of Saltville, is one of the few residents of the county that can speak of a past record such as working 53 years with one company. "Susie", as most of his friends know him, worked with the Mathieson Chemical Company in Saltville 53 years and retired in 1951 as foreman and general repair man for the well fields.

He was born in the Washington County part of Rich Valley in 1880. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Chapman Roberts and was named after a man who owned the plaster works at Plasterco years ago. He has been a member of the Madam Russell Methodist Church of Saltville for the past 15 or 20 years.

The beginning of his long career with the Mathieson Chemical Company started in 1902, when he started to work at the plant. He was transferred to the well fields the same year and worked there until 1951. There was one break in his long years of service to this company in 1905, when the work became slack and he was off for about one year. When he retired in 1951, he had moved from a well driller to the foreman and had charge of the repair and general pumping of the salt in the well fields.

Mr. Roberts can remember when the well fields were big fields of hay blowing in the wind, and the farmers of the section could reap a good harvest from this big field. The constant pumping of water into the salt beds to dissolve the salt and bring it to the surface has changed the hay fields and one small pond at that time to the many small ponds all over the area now.

In 1912 he married Elizabeth Helton, and they have nine children. The three sons are Eugene Roberts, who works at Saltville; James Roberts, with the Mathieson Company in Lake Charles, La., and Ted Roberts, who works with the Mathieson General Stores in Saltville. The six daughters are Mrs. E. B. (Edna) Haga, Abingdon; Mrs. Edith Millinger, Saltville; Mrs. Emmitt (Mazie) Morgan, Langley Air Force Base; Mrs. Turner (Ernestine) Hennegar, McCreech; Mrs. Beattie (Ruth) Lawrence, Plasterco, and Nell Jane Roberts, Saltville.

Miss Sallie Helton, fondly called "Aunt Sallie" by the family, who is Mrs. Roberts' sister, has lived with the family for a number of years. He has 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

One other son, Charles W. "Hardy" Roberts was killed in action during World War II on Guadalcanal. "Hardy" enlisted in the Marines January 12, 1942, and was reported missing September 14, 1942. One other son, Eugene, served in the armed forces. The swimming pool at Saltville was named in honor of Hardy, who was the first man from Smyth County to lose his life in World War II.

Mr. Roberts recalls that tragic Christmas Eve about 30 years ago when the muck dam at Saltville burst, and many in the valley were killed. He helped save two children from death, and out of this family of eight, four were saved. The father and mother and two children were killed. Two of the children were at the movie, and the other two were in the top of the house. The house lodged against a tree, and he and two other men saved the children.

Two weeks after the burst he found the pants of a man with his watch and pay roll in the pockets. The watch was stopped at 8:15 p. m., 15 minutes after the dam was said to have broken.

Since his retirement Mr. Roberts spends his time loafing around his house and during the summer raises a small garden.

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SGT. HESTER IS RETURNING HOME
Sgt. Thomas E. Hester is en route home after serving 12 months with 179th Tank Battalion in Korea. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hester of Marion.
Sgt. Hester entered the service in July, 1952.

Stoney Battery
MRS. VERNIE SEXTON

Stoney Battery, Jan. 25 — Mr. and Mrs. Lee Blevins of Stewartstown, Penna., and Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Joines and son, Vernie Lee, visited Mrs. W. H. Dutton and Vernie Sexton Sunday.

Mrs. Junior Thompson, who has been a patient in the Marion General Hospital, has returned home much improved.

Mrs. Beulah Dennison has been ill at her home.

Ambrose Wagner returned home Friday night from Mountain Home, Tenn.

Misses Betty Hall and Joan Ross of Sugar Grove were visitors of Mrs. Russell West Friday.

William Dutton, who has been a patient in Lee Memorial Hospital for the past two weeks, has returned home and is improving.

Miss Anna Ruth Farmer recently spent the week end with Miss Stella Stines of Chilhowie.

Mrs. Richard Burchett is now attending a series of meetings which are in progress near Allison Gap.

Mrs. Ben Martin of Chilhowie spent last Sunday visiting Mrs. Myrtle Dutton.

Miss Bessie Sexton visited Billy Kirk, who is a patient in Lee Memorial Hospital, last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Thompson and son of Abingdon visited Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Rotenberry Sunday.

Mrs. Rachel Sexton has been ill at her home for the past two weeks. Mildred Greer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Greer, has also been ill at her home.

Billy Sexton visited Jack and Roger Hawkins Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stines recently visited his sisters, Mrs. Bill Louthen of Chilhowie and Mrs. Beulah Whittaker.

Sam Brooks has returned to his work after being ill at his home for six weeks.

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