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The Shamrock Garden club met at the home of Mrs. L. D. Williams on Brookside drive Thursday afternoon for the regular monthly meeting. Mrs. J. E. Pritchard was co-hostess and Mrs. I. M. Thomas, mother of Mrs. Williams, was a special guest. Mrs. Bessie Rice read "October" from the book "The Round of the Year" by Patience Strong and the club members repeated the collect.

The president, Mrs. John M. Neely, presided and asked for reports from various committees. Letters were read from the Carolina Bird club, seeking subscriptions to "The Chat," the club publication; the Liberty Garden club, inviting the club to their flower show on October 29th and the Asheboro Woman's club, regarding the Arts and Crafts Festival to be held on October 16th. Mrs. Ryan Neely was welcomed as a new member, following the report of the membership committee.

Program chairman, Mrs. C. L. Scott, led in the discussion of current events and new ideas, part of the program for the month. She presented Miss Mar-

ian Burgess, a club member, whose subject was "Adventures in Dish Gardens." Miss Burgess had brought several attractive dish gardens which she passed around and explained the construction and care of each one. She stressed the importance of grouping plants that live together, those requiring very little water and the ones that need more moisture. She told how and where to use dish gardens, how to plant, and suitable containers for different combinations. Examples were shown of modern containers and one especially interesting was an antique ironstone gravy boat, suitable for more traditional homes.

Mrs. Clyde Hendrix, Mrs. John Branson and Mrs. J. A. Cheely had charge of the exhibits for the month, autumn arrangements of leaves, fruits, berries and flowers. These included pyracantha berries, roses and dahlias which were very effective against the deep green walls of the Williams' home. The hostesses served an attractive salad plate with cookies and coffee.

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All new chairmen and their committees were named, the year books and programs were outlined for the year.

Mrs. Neely announced that the district meeting would be held at the Y.M.C.A. building in Albemarle on October 29 at 10:30 o'clock.

Mrs. J. A. Cheely, membership chairman, presented Mrs. S. E. Trogdon and Mrs. R. W. Gwyn for membership and they were accepted unanimous-

ly. The home was most attractive with arrangements of fall flowers.

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Monday, September 14, 1953

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GRIFFIN CLINIC

ASHEBORO, N. C.

January 1, 1954

Shamrock Garden Club
Asheboro
North Carolina

Dear Members:

I want to thank you for the staff and patients for the very nice Christmas gifts you sent to the Clinic. It was very thoughtful of you to remember the patients in this way.

Very truly yours,

GRIFFIN CLINIC

Ruby Lindsley

(Mrs.) Ruby Lindsley, Sec.

AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS
Office of the Field Director
U. S. Army Hospital
Fort Bragg, N. C.

January 4, 1954

Mrs. J. M. Neely
Shamrock Garden Club
Asheboro, N. C.

Dear Mrs. Neely:

In behalf of patients and staff of Fort Bragg Hospital we wish to thank the Shamrock Garden Club for their contribution of five (5) gifts. These gifts were delivered to the patients by Santa Claus on Christmas Eve, and, we can assure you that the gifts were graciously accepted and appreciated. It is such community groups as yours who make Christmas a meaningful holiday for the servicemen and service women who are hospitalized.

Please accept our best wishes for a bright and successful New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth G. McCall
(Miss) Ruth G. McCall
Field Director

RGMc: jf

Shamrock Garden Club Meeting Held On Thursday Afternoon

The Shamrock Garden club met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John S. Lewis, Jr., for its January meeting with Mrs. Ryan Neely and Mrs. Robert Jones as associate hostesses.

Mrs. John Branson, chaplain, opened the meeting with the reading of a prayer, "Thank You For the Little Things." Mrs. John Neely, president, presided over the business session.

Mrs. Robert Ward reported that enough gifts were brought to the Christmas party to give every child in Randolph hospital a gift with some for the clinic.

A letter was read from the Veterans hospital at Fayetteville thanking the members for gifts which they sent at Christmas time. Also a letter was read from the Griffin clinic thanking them for the children's gifts.

The club voted to give \$10 again this year towards the Bible teacher's salary in the Asheboro city schools.

Mrs. C. E. Hughes, Jr., who was recently made district chairman of horticulture, was in charge of the program and gave an interesting talk on the new hybrid zinnia, "Blaze," a magnificent blazing red zinnia. Blooms are double masses of Chinese red with quilled petals and are borne in great profusion all season.

Mrs. Neely announced that a \$10 prize would be given to any member writing the best paper on horticulture and urged the members to try for this honor.

At the close of the meeting the hostesses served a delicious salad plate consisting of frozen fruit salad, cheese straws, sandwiches, fruit cake and coffee.

Mrs. R. E. Nance Gives An Interesting Talk To Club

The Shamrock Garden club held its November meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. C. Page with Mrs. J. E. Pritchard and Mrs. L. D. Williams, associate hostesses.

Mrs. John M. Neely, president, presided over the business session during which time many items of importance were discussed. Mrs. C. L. Scott reported the sale of 154 tickets by members for the Jaycees Halloween festival, after which Mrs. Neely read a letter of appreciation from the Jaycees.

Mrs. S. C. Frazier reported that the committee on therapy had carried magazines and quilt scraps to the Randolph county home.

The club voted to take Christmas wrapped gifts to the hospital at Christmas; and to give five Red Cross packages.

Interesting reports were given from the delegates who attended the district meeting at Albemarle in October.

A telegram was read from Miss Kiker, district director, regarding that she could not be present for the club meeting.

Mrs. R. E. Nance, chairman of the conservation committee, gave a most interesting talk on "Our Pine Trees." The long leaf rightly known as the "King of the Southern Pines" is comparable to the white pine, "Queen of the Forest of the North." Both have supplied building material for our rapidly expanding country. In early colonial days conservation was not considered as the forest were so abundant the pines were used for homes. Conservation of all forest is taught now.

The long leaf pine furnished most of the King's navy because of its durability. It was used in rebuilding the White House after it was burned during the war of 1812. More than a 100 years later the beams were found to be in perfect condition. It has been the source of all naval stores and for a long time furnished supplies for the navies of the world.

Being exceedingly fire resistant, the long leaf pine has survived forest fires one of the great enemies of the forest. The crown of long needles protect the growing bud. The first several years of the pine are spent in growing long tap roots and little growth is noticed above the ground.

The graceful plumes of the young pinelings bubble up from the ground and appear to be a green fountain of the forest, a fairyland of green geysers in a woodland. They are so beautiful that they are often cut down for decorations or transplanted to other grounds.

The long leaf pine is planted as a single tree or a colonies. Pinehurst and Southern Pines are examples of where it is conserved and used to the full extent of beauty.

There is something calm and satisfying about a clean needled cushioned pine woods. The slaves called it "God's front yard." One who has missed standing in a colony of pines and has never heard their soft music has missed a privilege Mother Nature gave us who live among the pines. As they lift their stately branches heavenwards you can almost hear the psalmist of old saying "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth His handiwork."

One might ask did he have reference to the pine when he wrote "He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." To us here at home where we value our pines as we do heritage of North Carolina it carries me back to our school days when we memorized the toast to our fair state. "Here's to the land of the long leaf pine. The summer land where the sun doth shine. Where the weak grow strong and the strong grow great. Here's to down home, the old North State."

Mrs. John Branson gave a brief talk about the feeding of birds and several interesting experiences she has had with birds in her own yard especially the Mocking bird, Robin and

other song birds.

At the close of the meeting the members were invited into the dining room for refreshments. On the buffet was an attractive arrangement of nuts, fruits and vegetables and the lovely table was covered with an exquisite cutwork cloth and entered with a beautiful arrangement of chrysanthemums.

The hostesses served molded salads in shades of yellow, red and green carrying out the Thanksgiving motif with dainty sandwiches, cakes and nuts.

Chrysanthemums and other colorful fall flowers grown in Mrs. Page's garden were used throughout the home.

The next meeting of the club will be the annual Christmas party to be held at the home of Mrs. John M. Neely.

Dr. J. E. Pritchard Speaker At Shamrock Garden Club Meet

The Shamrock Garden club held its February meeting at the home of Mrs. Robert Ward Thursday afternoon with Mrs. R. E. Nance and Mrs. A. R. Hix as associate hostesses.

Upon arrival the members were served a delicious dessert plate consisting of cherry tarts topped with whipped cream, nuts and coffee.

The meeting was opened by the members repeating the club collect after which Mrs. John Neely, president, presided over the business session.

Mrs. R. E. Nance, chairman of conservation, reported 35 trees and shrubs had been planted by the members of the club.

The beautification committee reported 939 bulbs and 225 plants and shrubs had been planted this year.

Mrs. John Branson introduced the speaker who was our own beloved Dr. J. E. Pritchard, retired Methodist minister. Dr. Pritchard used as his topic, "Historical Places in Randolph County." Some of the interesting places he mentioned was Walker's Mill, Sandy Creek Baptist church, the Central Hotel which is now about 103 years old, the old plank road and the covered bridges some of which are still being used.

Mrs. Branson presented Dr. Pritchard a gift in behalf of the club for his most interesting talk.

Nineteen members and two guests, Mrs. L. M. Blankenship of Charlotte, sister of Mrs. Ward, and Dr. Pritchard, were present.

The lovely flower arrangements throughout the home were done by Mrs. Blankenship.

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*On Dixie Drive***Blue Star Highway Marker Gets Final Resting Place**

Like many of the soldiers, sailors and airmen to whom it is dedicated as a tribute for their services during World War II, the Blue Star highway marker now has a permanent resting place on Dixie Drive.

Erected by three of the Asheboro Garden clubs on April 1, 1950, the marker was transferred from a temporary location on highway 64 east of town to its permanent location behind Oaklawn cemetery on the by-pass recently.

Members of the Dogwood, Shamrock, and Greystone Garden clubs, in cooperation with the State Highway department, erected the marker almost three years ago which bears the inscription, "Blue Star Memorial Highway. A tribute to the nation's armed forces who served in World War II. Sponsored by the Garden clubs of North Carolina in cooperation with the N. C. State Highway and Public Works Commission. Erected by the Asheboro Garden clubs."

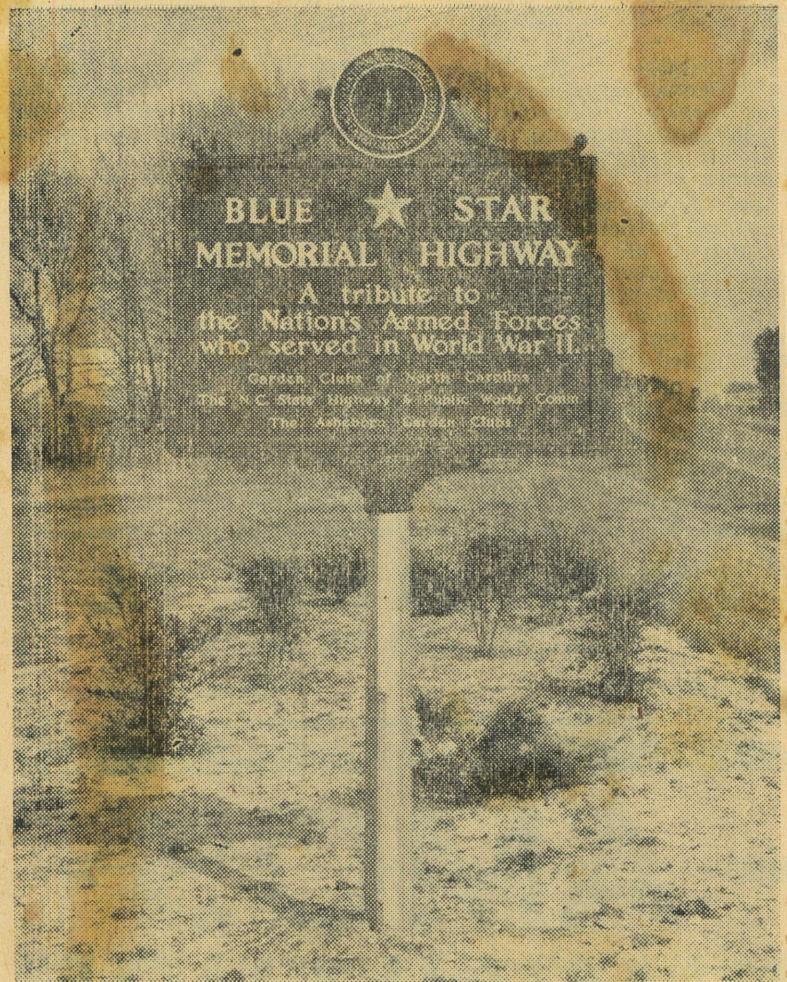
This marker is the third of its kind to be placed on this memorial highway that covers North Carolina from Manteo to Murphy as the main artery for east and west traffic.

Garden club officials who took part in the ceremony three years ago include Mrs. John W. Hadley, of the Greystone club; Mrs. C. E. Hughes, Jr., of the Shamrock club; Mrs. E. S. Millsaps, of the Dogwood club and Mrs. C. A.

Graham, of Ramseur, director of the sixth district of the North Carolina Federation of garden clubs.

Other dignitaries on hand for the ceremony were Mayor J. Frank McCrary, of Asheboro; and Dr. Henry W. Jordan, of Cedar Falls, chairman of the highway commission. The Asheboro high school band, under the direction of J. R. Still, provided music for the occasion.

Since the marker has been moved to its new permanent location, the garden clubs have started a program of shrub and flower planting around it that



— staff photo by dudley

HIGHWAY MARKER—The Blue Star highway marker, shown above, has been moved from its original location on U.S. highway 64 east of Asheboro to the by-pass just back of Oaklawn cemetery. Shrub and flowering plants that have been set out on both sides of the marker by members of the various garden clubs of Asheboro.

is fair to make it one of the most attractive markers seen on the state's highways.

Landscaping the area around the marker was completed recently and several shrubs and small cedars have already been planted. Additional plans for beautifying the spot call for the planting of bulbs this fall and Dogwood trees may be added later if the sponsoring clubs decide they can be used to good advantage.

The marker is located on the west side of Dixie Drive and is visible for several hundred yards from the east or west.

Report Given Club On New Plantings

ASHEBORO, Feb. 21—The Shamrock Garden Club held its February meeting at the home of Mrs. Robert Ward Thursday afternoon with Mrs. R. E. Nance and Mrs. A. R. Hix associate hostesses. A dessert course was served.

Mrs. John Neely presided over the business period when Mrs. R. E. Nance reported 86 trees and shrubs had been planted by members of the club. It was also reported that 939 bulbs and 225 plants and shrubs had also been planted this year.

Dr. J. E. Pritchard, retired Methodist minister, was the speaker and used as his topic, "Historical Places In Randolph County."

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Mrs. Max Patterson, recent bride, was complimented at a party and miscellaneous shower Friday evening when Mrs. F. M. Patterson and Mrs. Bobby Patterson entertained at the home of the former. Mrs. Patterson was Miss Janie Richardson of Sophia before her marriage. The guests showered the honoree with gifts. The hostesses' gifts were china and a bedspread. Bridal cakes, lime punch and nuts were served.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1954

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+ Coming Events +

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SHAMROCK CLUB TO MEET

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THE COURIER-TRIBUNE — Center of the State — ASHEBORO, N. C. Thursday, March 4, 1954

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SHAMROCK CLUB

The Shamrock Gardn club will meet Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mr. J. A. Cheeiy on East Academy street with Mrs. E. L. Hedrick, and Mrs. Clyde Wood associate hostesses. All members are urged to attend.

Monday, February 8, 1954 THE COURIER-TRIBUNE — Center of the State — ASHEBORO, N. C.

Total 66"

October Meeting Shamrock Garden Club Held Thursday

The Shamrock Garden club held its October meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ernest Ridge with Mrs. Clyde Hendrix and Mrs. S. C. Frazier as associate hostesses.

The meeting was opened by the reading of the club collect by the president, Mrs. John M. Neely.

Mrs. C. L. Scott, chairman of the beautification and her committee, were in charge of the program and gave a panel discussion of things to do to beautify the grounds of Randolph health department which is the club's project for this year. Pictures of the lot and blue prints of the building were shown.

Plans are being made to plant shrubbery, bulbs, dogwood trees and a rose garden, as soon as the grounds are ready.

The club voted to furnish

three flower arrangements for the antique show to be held at the Episcopal Parish House; also to participate in the Halloween festival at the Senior high school, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Proceeds from the sale of tickets will be used in beautification projects in connection with the Asheboro finer Carolina program.

Beautiful arrangements of roses and mixed flowers were used throughout the home. A striking arrangement of red coxcomb with magnolia leaves was used on the buffet in the dining room.

A delicious sandwich plate with potato chips, pickles, cake and Russian tea was served to the twenty-three members present.

GARDEN CLUBS TICKET SALE TO START TUESDAY

**Eight Local Clubs Lend Aid
To Make Halloween
Festival Success**

ON OCTOBER 31

An intensive ticket selling campaign will be launched by members of the eight garden clubs starting Tuesday, the 13, for the Junior varsity football game between Asheboro and Thomasville to be held in connection with the Junior Chamber of Commerce Halloween Festival Saturday night, October 31.

The business area has been divided into sections and each club has been assigned to a particular area. Various industrial plants in the city have also been assigned to each club.

The net proceeds from the sale of tickets will be used in beautification projects in connection with the Asheboro "Finer Carolina" program. Each club will profit in proportion to the number of tickets sold.

The business interests are urged to cooperate to the fullest extent in this important program by purchasing tickets not only for themselves but to include other personnel in their employ.

The clubs and their presidents taking part in the program are:

- Dogwood Garden club, Mrs. M. G. Lovett, president;
- Grey stone Garden club, Mrs. W. K. Lewallen, president;
- Hill and Dale Garden club, Mrs. Hallie Reaves, president;
- Shamrock Garden club, Mrs. John M. Neely, president;
- Little Gate Garden club, Mrs. George Ward, president;
- Weed 'n Win Garden club, Mrs. Tyler Lisk, president;
- South Gate Garden club, Mrs. Tracy McGill, president;
- Gladoli Garden club, Miss Louise Hardy, president.

In addition to the football game the Junior Chamber of Commerce committee is planning one of the most interesting and amazing programs for the Halloween Festival, and from present indications all traffic on Halloween night will be headed toward the football field.

Tree Planting To Spearhead Finer Carolina Program

Project Is Chosen Friday Night Meeting

There are acres of green grass in Asheboro even in February, but none of it is growing under the feet of Lee Stone, general chairman of Asheboro's "Finer Carolina" committee. Launching the 1954 drive to keep Asheboro North Carolina's finest town, he called the Beautification and General Improvements committee to a meeting in the municipal building Friday night at which time it was decided to sponsor a tree planting program as the first project.

During the drive, starting now and ending March 5, members of all garden clubs in Asheboro will canvass property owners in their respective neighborhoods in an effort to get them to take part in the project by agreeing to plant at least one or two trees on their premises during the allotted time.

Arrangements have been made with Canoy Nurseries to sell the trees at a nominal price, to deliver them free of charge, and to plant them for a small fee.

LIST OF TREES

List of trees most wanted planted is as follows, together with price.

- Dogwood—White, 3-4 ft., \$2.50.
- Dogwood—Pink, 3-4 ft., \$5.00.
- Red Bud, 3-4 ft., \$2.00.
- Flowering Crabapple, 3-4 ft., \$1.00.
- Flowering Crabapple, 5-6 ft., \$2.50.
- Crape Myrtle—Red, 2 ft., \$2.00.
- Crape Myrtle—White, 2 ft., \$2.00.

CLUB PRESIDENTS

Those desiring to plant trees may not wait to be contacted by a garden club member, but may phone either of the club presidents listed below:

- Dogwood Garden club, Mrs. M. G. Lovett, phone 2428.
- Greystone Garden club, Mrs. W. K. Lewallen, phone 2245.
- Hill and Dale Garden club, Mrs. Hallie C. Reaves, phone 2684.
- Shamrock Garden club, Mrs. John M. Neely, phone 2337.
- Little Gate Garden club, Mrs. George E. Ward, phone 2849.
- Weed 'n Win Garden club, Mrs. Tyler Lisk, phone 3852.
- South Gate Garden club, Mrs. T. E. McGill, phone 4226.
- Gladiola Garden club, Miss Louise Hardy, phone 2572.

Orders may also be received by phoning 5000—Chamber of Commerce.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Members of the Beautification and General Improvement committee and their telephone numbers are listed below:

- Mrs. Hallie Reaves, chairman, phone 2684; Miss Marian Burgess, co-chairman, 5166; Frank E. Barber, 2183; Paul Canoy, 8833; Don Durham, 2347; Mrs. Jack Fetner, 3935; Mrs. W. K. Lewallen, 2245; Mrs. Tyler Lisk, 3852; Mrs. M. G. Lovett, 2428; Mrs. T. E. McGill, 4226; Mrs. John M. Neely, 2337; T. G. Poindexter, 4157; J. D. Ross, Jr., 2200; Mrs. George E. Ward, 2849; John Wright, 5037; Miss Louise Hardy, 2572; J. N. Gill, 2572.

Lee Stone Is Speaker At Shamrock Club Meeting

The Shamrock Garden club met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. A. Cheely for its March meeting with Mrs. Clyde Wood and Mrs. E. L. Hedrick as associate hostesses.

Upon arrival the hostesses served a delicious dessert plate with coffee, after which Mrs. C. L. Scott, chairman of the beautification committee, introduced the speaker, Lee Stone, chairman of the Finer Carolina Program.

Mr. Stone gave an interesting talk on the Finer Carolina Program, stressing the planting of flowering shrubs and trees along the streets and public places where people coming into town could see and remember Asheboro, just as the azaleas in Wilmington and the cherry blossoms in Washington draw visitors to their own. So, we, too, by beautifying our town could draw new-comers and visitors to Asheboro.

We not only want something to offer new comers in beauty but also in recreational and cultural nature, said the speaker. Some of these projects have already been started. The softball grounds have been lighted, picnic tables and benches have been placed in the new park at the city lake west of town.

Mr. Stone said he had been told that our Negro school was the only one in North Carolina to have a lighted ball field. We also spoke of the need for playgrounds in the new developments of our town for the children.

Mr. Stone also stressed the point that after the honor of being made Carolina's finest town we should not stop but to use that honor as an incentive to go ahead and do more and keep Asheboro Carolina's finest.

The club enjoyed very much seeing the scrapbook used in the Finer Carolina Program showing pictures of projects before and after being completed.

Mr. Stone presented the club with a citation for work done in the 1953 Finer Carolina Program which Mrs. John M. Neely accepted for the club in a most charming manner.

Mrs. Scott presented Mr. Stone with a gift in behalf of the club.

Mrs. Neely, president, presided over the business session. Mrs. R. E. Nance, chairman of conservation committee, reported 309 trees and shrubs had been planted this month.

Mrs. C. L. Scott gave a nice report on the trees and shrubs sold by the club during the Finer Carolina tree planting program.

Mrs. John Branson, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the following slate of officers for the new year which was unanimously accepted: Mrs. C. L. Scott, president; Mrs. Edwin Hughes, first vice president; Mrs. R. E. Nance, second vice president; Mrs. John Neely, corresponding secretary; Mrs. S. E. Trogdon, recording secretary; Mrs. Ryan Neely, treasurer; Mrs. A. R. Hix, chaplain.

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THE COURIER - TRIBUNE

ASHEBORO, N. C., MONDAY, MARCH 15, 1954

Mrs. Scott Named Club President

ASHEBORO, March 20 — The Shamrock Garden Club met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. A. Cheely with Mrs. Clyde Wood and Mrs. E. L. Hedrick associate hostesses. A dessert course was served upon arrival.

Lee Stone, chairman of the Finer Carolina program, was speaker. He stressed the planting of flowers, shrubbery and trees along the streets and public places.

Mrs. John Branson, chairman of the nominating committee, presented for the new year the following officers, who were unanimously elected: Mrs. C. L. Scott, president; Mrs. Edwin Hughes, first vice president; Mrs. R. E. Nance, second vice president; Mrs. John M. Neely, corresponding secretary; Mrs. S. E. Trogden, recording secretary; Mrs. Ryan Neely, treasurer; Mrs. A. R. Hix, chaplain.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Mrs. John Neely Hostess To Shamrock Garden Club Monday

The Shamrock Garden club celebrated its annual Christmas party on Monday evening, at the home of the president, Mrs. John M. Neely, on Sunset avenue. Mrs. H. B. Martin and Mrs. Lacy Lewis were hostesses with Mrs. Neely.

Each arriving member brought two Christmas packages, one for exchange and another to be taken to Randolph hospital and distributed at Christmas time. Hospital gifts made a beautiful display in the breakfast room and club member gifts were placed under the lighted tree in the front hall.

As soon as all guests had arrived, they were invited into the dining room, which was beautifully done all in silver and blue. Ice cream snowballs, each with its own tiny lighted red candle, were served with cake and coffee. Mrs. H. B. Martin poured the coffee from the silver and blue table, centered with an arrangement featuring a large candle, with Christmas balls and foliage.

For the program, Mrs. Neely introduced Mrs. James H. Wade, wife of the new minister of First Presbyterian church and a special guest of the club. Mrs. Wade read an original Christmas story "The Kitchen Boy of Bethlehem Inn," written by Mrs. Mary Howard Poole of Lex-

ington, who is also a minister's wife and a friend of the Wades. The charming little story gave a fresh outlook on the birth of the Christ Child, as seen through the eyes of a tired little kitchen boy. Mrs. Wade also read a poem, "Gift Suggestions," by another friend, Mrs. R. S. Boone.

Mrs. Neely directed a contest using the word "Rose" and Mrs. James Wade was given first prize for having the most words in the allotted time. Mrs. L. D. Williams, Mrs. Robert Ward and Mrs. Ernest C. Ridge tied for second place and when numbers were drawn Mrs. Ward won the second award, a Talisman rose bush.

As Mrs. Neely called the names, each member was allowed to go to the tree and select a gift, then entertain the others with a skit, speech or song before returning to her place. While some of the recitations were strictly ad lib, others were frankly dug up from childhood memories. It was agreed that Mrs. Mattie Bennett's rendition of "Go Tell Aunt Rhoda," was most outstanding.

After all the gifts had been opened and admired, Mrs. Wade led the group in singing Christmas carols.

The Neely home was unusually lovely with holiday arrangements throughout.

Antique Show, Sale Begins Tomorrow For Three Days

The fourth annual antique show and sale, sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of the Good Shepherd, will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week, October 13, 14, and 15, in the Parish House of the Episcopal church in Dogwood Acres.

Progress has been steady and preparations are nearing completion. Antique dealers from North Carolina and Virginia have already begun to arrive. By tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, opening hour of the show, the Parish House will have become a veritable treasure house of old world beauty. Furniture, silver, bric-a-brac, brass—all will be displayed to great advantage. One dealer has said that she plans to show only very early American furniture in pine and maple, the type pieces ideally suited to the casual country living so popular today. Another dealer will place special emphasis on exquisite old English silver and antique French porcelains. There will be every type of antique to please the most discriminating taste.

Tickets are being sold by all the Auxiliary members and may also be purchased at the door all through the show. The price is 50 cents plus 10 cents tax.

One ticket may be used over and over by the purchaser by just retaining the stub. This courtesy is being extended to the visitors because it would be practically impossible to absorb the full beauty of so many things in a single visit.

Concessions chairmen, Mrs. R. D. Crowley and Mrs. Max Cranford urge the public to come and stay for a meal. The excellent kitchen facilities afford adequate space for the preparation of both cold and hot plates. Luncheon and supper will be served each day. Sandwiches, sweets and drinks may be obtained at any time during the three days showing.

The garden clubs of Asheboro have graciously offered again this year to furnish flower arrangements throughout the building. The Episcopal Parish House is singularly adapted to a usage of this kind. Beneath the gracefully vaulted Gothic arches, so like many in the Old World Churches, these fine old antiques will show to great advantage. The public is cordially invited to come. Visitors will be welcomed at any time. The show opens at 10 o'clock each morning and closes at 10 o'clock each evening, October 13, 14 and 15.



" A VALENTINE ARRANGEMENT "

made by
Mrs. W. C. Page
Member of - The Shamrock Garden Club

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The month of March was chiefly given over to work by the beautification committee. Several hundred shade trees, ornamental trees and pieces of shrubbery were planted during "Tree Planting Week"—March 8-14. The largest specific area planted was a large triangle at intersection of U. S. No. 64 and N. C. No. 49 on the eastern approach to Asheboro. The garden clubs of Asheboro all participated in the purchase and planting of this area. Some clubs held cake sales, some held rummage sales and others solicited their own members to raise money. About \$300 has already been spent and an estimated total of \$1500 will be spent this year in landscaping the many "islands" of this intersection.

Other areas included the grounds at Park Street Graded School and Asheboro

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Asheboro



JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ASHEBORO
"CENTER OF NORTH CAROLINA"

June 28, 1953

Mrs. John Neely, President
Shamrock Garden Club
Asheboro, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Neely:

The Community Improvement Committee of the 1953 "Finer Carolina" contest would like to express its appreciation to the members of the Shamrock Garden Club by presenting to them the enclosed certificate of merit.

The contribution made by your organization was used toward landscaping the areas at the intersection of N. C. Highways 49 and 64.

We enclose copies of the last two issues of the "Finer Carolina Report" which tells of your work.

The committee hopes that the garden clubs in our community will want to further beautify our city by co-operating in a clean-up, fix-up week to be held the first of September.

Sincerely,

Don W. Durham

Don W. Durham, Chairman
Community Improvement and
Beautification Committee

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SPECIAL CITATION

In recognition of outstanding civic service

performed by

Shamrock Garden Club

to help in the effort to make our town

Carolina's Finest!

HELPING TO BUILD

**A Finer
Carolina**

Finer Carolina Committee, by


GENERAL CHAIRMAN

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PROGRESS REPORTER:

A BIG MONTH AT ASHEBORO



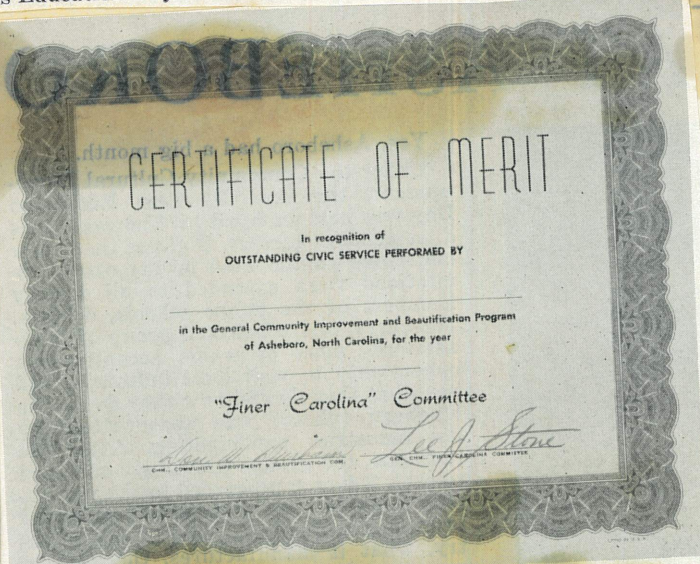
OVER 200 educators, preachers, businessmen, teachers, and professional men turned out for Business Education Day to tour Asheboro's eight largest industries.

Yes, Asheboro had a big month. Under the Community Cultural Development, the first Business Education Day was held on April 15. The event was a tremendous success. Eight of the larger industries participated in the event; invitations were extended to all faculty members of the public schools, doctors, preachers, and a selected group of businessmen, most of whom accepted this opportunity to visit local industries and see what they do and how they do it. The luncheon (photo) was underwritten by the industries participating. After the luncheon, the groups previously assigned to each industry proceeded to the various plants where they were given an initial briefing on the background of the industry, what it manufactures, the various processes involved in such a manufacture, and what would be of greatest interest to note as the group proceeded through the plant. At the close, these groups assembled again and were further briefed on the economics involved in such operations; matters pertaining to labor relations, taxes, problems of management, gross income, net income, and did not neglect to give everyone an opportunity to ask any questions about the business.

The committee feels that this was one of the most worthwhile activities that has ever been developed in Asheboro.

Events moved along rapidly in connection with attracting new industry. After numerous heart-breaking delays and incidents that seemed to indicate that the new industry might be lost to some other location, things were finally ironed out and a 26-acre site procured for the erection of a 130,000 square feet building to house finishing operations for half-hose produced by Burlington Mills Corporation, who have a large knitting mill in Asheboro already. Plans were completed and material for the construction was ordered in early March. The contract was let later that month; grading has been completed; footings poured; foundations installed; and steel is now being erected for this new, modern industry which will

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OUTSTANDING workers in Asheboro's community improvement and beautification program received one of these attractive 8 x 10 in. printed certificates.

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employ about 400 people upon its completion. The remainder of the acreage will be landscaped and beautified, spacious parking areas will be provided, and this should be one of Asheboro's most attractive industrial plants by the end of this year.

In April, contract was let for additions to the new high school building including auditorium wing, which will house the main auditorium, little theatre, band practice room, and a student activity room. Contract also included a physical education wing. Bids totaled \$464,884, which was included in the bond issue mentioned in our 1952 "School Expansion" project. (Photographs of these items along with pictures showing the progress at the new Lindley Park Grade School and the Negro school will be included in the report next month.)

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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

In recognition of
OUTSTANDING CIVIC SERVICE PERFORMED BY

Shamrock Garden Club

in the General Community Improvement and Beautification Program
of Asheboro, North Carolina, for the year

1953

"Finer Carolina" Committee

Donald W. Buchanan
CHM., COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT & BEAUTIFICATION COM.

Lee J. Stone
GEN. CHM., FINER CAROLINA COMMITTEE

May Day is sponsored by the
FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA CLUB

Student Directors:

Doris Gaddis, chm., Mary Helen Painter, Ann House,
Barbara Harris, Mary Belle Pugh

Grateful acknowledgements are made to all those individuals
and departments that have helped make this May Day possible.

Courtesies extended to:

Bullard Florist
W. C. Lucas
Pugh's Funeral Home
Farlow's Funeral Home

Garden Clubs:
Greystone
Little Gate
Shamrock

Faculty Advisors:

Miss Elizabeth Phillips, Miss Angelyn Glisson, Mrs. Dal Rich,
Mrs. Bob Walker, Mrs. Frank Barber, Mrs. Fred Fullington, Miss
Leona Wood, Mrs. Lena Flenniken, Miss Carol Drake, Miss Nan
Reese.

The history of the dances was written by Misses Ruth Rush,
Ann Poindexter, Libby Underwood.

MAY DAY



Asheboro High School
Presents Its Second May Day
Friday, May 15, 1953

Program

*"Ye that pipe and ye that play
Ye that through your hearts today
Feel the gladness of the May."*

—Wadsworth

- I. PROCESSIONAL High School Band
CROWNING OF THE QUEEN Donald Cox, King
May Queen Jo Ann Scott
Maid of Honor Zelma Cole
(Escorted by Eugene Wright)
Master of Ceremonies Bobby Burge

Attendants to the Queen

Escorts

- Margaret Ann Pritchard Delon Freeman
Harolene Allred Phil Loman
Lee Carol Sargeant Buddy Stanley
Peggy Rich C. J. Brown
Annette Hunt David Lane
Sara Jane Cole Freddie Bell
Clara Jean Jones Paul Linebarrier
Barbara Luck Dal Hester
Anne Clark Jimmie Smith
Suzanne Watson Garrett Thomas
Diana Johnson Max Leach
Emily Fritz John DeVries

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- Pages Norma Richardson, Sybil Stutts
Anita Sewell, Gwen Presnell
Court Jester Bill Brady, Harris Rush
Train Bearers Larry Bullard, Spencer Redding
Crown Bearer Ray Scott
Flower Girl Jane Stedman

Program

Theme

"Dances Through the Years"

- II. Primitive Dance
Minuet — High School Band
Minuet — Dance
Polka — Dance
Waltz — High School Band
Waltz — Dance
Square Dance
"Margie" — High School Band
Charleston — Dance
Tap Dance
Tango — Dance
Samba — Dance
Jitterbug — Dance
Bop — Dance
May Pole Dance

- III. RECESSIONAL High School Band

Please remain seated until the Queen and her court
have left the green.