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NATIONAL HOME DEMONSTRATION WEEK APRIL 27-MAY 3

TODAY'S HOME BUILDS TOMORROW's WORLD



Home Demonstration Club members will observe the Seventh National Home Demonstration Week from April 27 through May 3.

In North Carolina, more than 69,000 club members will have an opportunity to acquaint the public with what home demonstration work is and what it does. This week affords a special time for giving an account of a far-reaching program. It brings to the attention of many people the work of the Extension Service with particular emphasis on home demonstration activities and accomplishments. The following objectives have been set up for the week:

- 1. To highlight the fact that home and family can develop and maintain those qualities we value in a democracy. Confidence in the American way of life has its beginning in the home.
- 2. To emphasize that a successful home is dependent upon a well-informed homemaker who helps the family to take pride in making their home comfortable, attractive, and inspiring.
- 3. To recognize that rural women through organized planning and action are making a lasting contribution to community improvement.
- 4. To make special effort to acquaint younger homemakers with the work of the Extension Service and the assistance available to them through home demonstration work.

Clay County Sponsors Local Newspaper

During the early 40's, the Lions Club in Hayesville made an effort to keep the local county newspaper alivebut finally, for lack of time and money, it was allowed to die in late 1946. During the five years when there was no local newspaper, practically everyone in the county at one time or another was saying that "what this county needs is a newspaper." The Home Demonstration Club women agreed with this statement to the extent that for nine months in 1951 they published, "on their own hook," a Home Demonstration Club paper called "Mountain Laurels." This, of course, was not a medium for advertising so there was no way to finance it except through the County Council treasury. But, "where there is a will there is a way," and when the opportunity presented itself in the form of a retired Baptist minister who wanted to edit and publish a local newspaper, the club women accepted the challenge. Today there is a Clay County Progress going into more than 350 homes in the county. It was not easy to get subscriptions because other attempts for having a newspaper had failed; it was not easy to purchase the franchise for this paper, but a series of local Talent Shows provided part of the funds with which to do this.

While this paper is not expected to win any prizes in newspaper contests, it serves the purpose of letting neighbors read news about neighbors, and after all, that is what a local newspaper is used for.

The Education Committee of the Home Demonstration Clubs gets the credit for doing this fine job in Clay County. It was through their efforts that the sponsorship was undertaken and accomplished.

Mrs. Mattie Moss Clay County Publicity Chairman

Hyde County People Enjoy "Singspiration"

Our first "Singspiration," sponsored by the Hyde County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs, in the Agricultural Building on February 10, 1952, was a huge success. All Home Demonstration Clubs and towns in the County were well represented.

Miss Alma Lee Cathey, our Home Agent, told what we would like for these "Sings" to mean to our County, and introduced the Community Song leader—Mr. Carlyle Jones.

Mr. Jones led the entire group in several songs and each club or community that possessed special talent presented their own selections in the way of solos, duets and mixed choruses. One of the mixed chorus groups had its own director.

What an inspiration the program was to everyone, to know we have so much talent in Hyde County. Talent that we could have been enjoying and sharing all these years.

Plans were made for another Singspiration to be held in a different section of the County in March.

Our goal will be attained if these Singspirations lead to the improvement of the music in our rural churches and to the encouragement and development of choruses and group singing in Hyde County.

Mrs. Ray Spencer

Jackson County Goals

The Jackson County Home Demonstration Council met at the Courthouse in Sylva, January 20, at 2:30 to discuss various phases of work for the new year.

All County Club leaders and chairmen were selected for the year, and it was decided that all County officers should visit as many clubs as possible during the year and especially when their subject is being discussed. All leaders are to take an active part in bringing new ideas to each Home Demonstration club meeting.

The following County Club goals were discussed: An award will be selected by the County Council officers and be given at Achievement Day to the Club that leads in the following:

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Pamlico County Council Entertains the Commissioners

"The Home Demonstration Club women are always doing something." This remark, made by a friend of the Pamlico County Home Demonstration program, is true. And one of the happiest events was the dinner given by the County Council honoring the County Board of Commissioners.

The dinner was served at the Agriculture Building by members of the different clubs.

The table was lovely with its decorations of spring flowers. The place cards were in green and gold. The guests were received by the County Council officers, Mrs. Sam Swindell, President; Mrs. E. B. Avery, Vice-President; Mrs. I. V. Pipkin, Secretary; Mrs. Joseph Lupton, Treasurer; and Miss Grace Breedlove, Home Agent.

The guests of honor were the Commissioners: Mr. C. D. Fentress, Mr. M. D. Brinson, Mr. Oscar Barnette, Mr. H. L. Spruill, and Rev. J. M. Waters. Other guests were the Farm Agent, Mr. J. P. Stovall, and Mrs. Stovall; Miss Lovie Beard, County Health Officer; Mr. T. J. Spencer, County Auditor; and Mr. Richard Nobles, Editor of the Pamlico County Herald.

> Mrs. Sam Swindell **President County Council**

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Federation Meetings to Be Held In Eastern District

Distinguished guests and speakers including Mrs. Herman Johnson, President, North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs; Miss Ruth Current, State Home Agent; Dr. Katharine Elisseieff of Germany; Dr. Bessie McNeil, Head of the Home Economic Department of East Carolina College; and Mrs. Catherine Posey, Singer of Folk Songs, will highlight the many outstanding features of District Federation Meetings.

Mrs. Ben Harris of Hyde County will preside over the 24th District Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs composed of Beaufort, Hyde, Tyrrell, and Washington counties, meeting in the First Methodist Church in Washington on April 2nd.

The 20th District Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs composed of Carteret, Craven, Jones, Onslow, and Pamlico counties will meet April 3rd at the New Bern Recreational Building with Mrs. George West of Craven County presiding.

The Perquimans County Home Demonstration Clubs will be hosts to the 25th District Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs composed of Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Pasquotank, and Perquimans counties at the Perquimans County High School, April 16th, with Mrs. J. W. Holstead, Camden County, pre-Mrs. L. L. Gibbs, siding.

Eastern District Publicity Chairman

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- 1. Largest attendance (year round) for 1952 for present club members.
- Largest number of members participating in club programs.
- Most new members secured during 1952.

A committee of three or more is to be selected to review all club records and activities and select the winner.

Other County Club activities discussed were:

- 1. To join in the County Rat Control Campaign.
- To help Beta 4-H Club to find an old sewing machine for 4-H Clubs
- 3. To join in with the 4-H and other groups to help County Agents secure a movie projector to aid in their educational work by using films showing many improved phases of farm and home living.
- To do all within their power to aid in the Civil Defense Program.

Mrs. John Verlin Bryson **Jackson County County Council President**

Good Music is Vital in the **Education of People**

The Home Demonstration Club members in the Eastern District have learned that "Doing the best with what you have" can also be applied to our Music Appreciation program. They feel most fortunate and very grateful for having the opportunity of attending two music schools, in the past year, at East Carolina College in Greenville. It is felt that the information given by the members of the Music Faculty at each school is such that the leaders in each Home Demonstration Club can direct the program.

A number of the counties have organized choral groups. Some are planning to enter the contest that is being sponsored by the Radio Station WPTF for Home Demonstration Clubs. Other counties feel that they are not ready for a county-wide chorus, but are carrying on a music appreciation program. One county used in their music appreciation program a recording of the North Carolina Little Symphony Concert that was given for school children. In other counties the Clubs are making a study of hymns and listening to good radio programs.

In most every county in the Eastern District there have been two or more music schools conducted, using material from East Carolina College along with demonstrations and suggestions from local musicians. There were music leaders present from the Clubs in the county who in turn carried the program back to their respective Clubs.

Plans are being made to hold music schools in those counties that have not had such a training program.

Many communities have a small selections at Club meetings, District meetings and sing in the local church choir. This year the Clubs are working to improve rural church music. One county has set as its goal "One Active Adult Choir in each community and where possible one Youth Choir."

At each Planning Meeting held in the District the counties were brought up to date on the Home Demonstration Club Music Program. The music leaders are enthusiastic about the program and are working toward making it successful.

> Mrs. O. G. Richardson Eastern District Music Chairman New Bern, Rt. 2

National Home Demonstration Council, Raleigh Oct. 25-29 Country Women's Council, Raleigh Oct. 29-30

Enriched Cornmeal

Have you stopped to think what an important part bread plays in our menu planning for the day? Think of the various types of bread and how a different variety complements certain foods. Every meal we plan includes bread, so we naturally wish to give our family breads that contain vitamins and minerals so necessary to health and well being.

Laws have been enacted to protect the consumer who likes white breads. You find enriched flour, cereals, grits, cake mixes and ready baked bread. These all have been added to—that is Vitamin B¹ or Thiamin, Vitamin B² or Niacin, and Minerals which were taken out of the natural grains as they were refined, have been put back in the finished product.

What southerner doesn't like cornbread with his breens, hush puppies with catfish, mush on cold nights and hot cornbread with cold sweet milk? Here we have a product that in most instances is not enriched especially where the corn is raised at home and taken to the local miller to be made into meal.

Last fall our home demonstration club talked about enriched breads and the need for having enriched corn meal as well as enriched wheat flour, since in many homes in our section the main bread for dinner and supper is cornbread.

Mr. Ed English, our local miller has quite a large family and wishes to feed them as well as possible. In asking him about putting an enrichment attachment on his mill we pointed out how much better the meal would be for his family as well as for all who used meal from his mill. He agreed to put the attachment on his mill and enrich the meal coming from his plant.

He tells us now that his business has increased and people think he makes the finest meal they have used. We as club women know that it is the best meal for our families because of those added magic ingredients, vitamins and minerals.

Marcella Smith Cherokee County Council President

Landscaping the Church Grounds

When the regular January meeting of the Russell's Creek Home Demonstration Club of Carteret County, was held, the members decided to landscape the church grounds of one of the community churches, for a 1952 club project. At this meeting, Mrs. Noah Avery, President, appointed a committee to plan the work. Women on

this committee were: Mrs. L. L. Springle; Mrs. A. H. Tallman and Mrs. Nellie Potter. At the request of the committee members, Mrs. Avery also met with them.

Pastor of the church and other church leaders were contacted and their cooperation secured. Mr. R. M. Williams, the County Agent, was present at the January Club meeting and was asked to assist with the landscaping. The committee appointed at the club, met a few days later and drew up their landscaping plans. They decided to buy most of the shrubs for the foundation planting and use native shrubs for the screen planting around the yard. About a dozen suitable shrubs were donated by club members, and with the help of the local nurseryman, other shrubs were bought at the small cost of thirty-eight dollars. Church members contributed grass seed and some labor. Husbands of the club members prepared the soil and sowed the seed. Club women themselves, went into the woods and got native shrubs, which they set around the outside border of the yard.

In less than two weeks after the grounds were landscaped, the work has been practically finished. Club members, having had such fine cooperation from church members, community folk and leaders, are anxious to get started on the other church in the Russell's Creek Community. They hope to do this next fall when the repairs on that church are finished.

Mrs. W. G. Simpson Russell's Creek Club

Crafts

Why do we work in crafts in Cherokee County? It has been said that "as the valleys narrow, so do the houses narrow." Also it has been said that "where there are silos there is no need for the women to work in crafts."

Some of our valleys are very narrow, and the majority of our farms do not have silos, and some kind of income to supplement the farm income can be used by a great many to advantage, so why not work in crafts since that is our natural heritage and we have such beautiful mountains where tourists love to come?

Working with ones' hands has so many more advantages than merely helping out the family budget. Anyone who has put on a warp knows how impossible it would be to worry about any of their grievances while concentrating on this job. It is good for ones' nerves not to mention the pure joy of seeing ones' work shaping into a lovely article and growing into a thing of beauty for others to enjoy.

It might be presumptuous to make such a statement but it seems that where wives and mothers stay at home with their children instead of working away from home that it tends to be a happier home and gives the children a better outlook on life, and I might go so far as to say there would be less broken homes.

Yes, we work in crafts, and we love it!

Mrs. B. E. Warner 1st District Vice-Chairman Cherokee County

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Onslow Women are Studying the Four Freedoms

The Four Freedoms are serving as a springboard for an overall theme of Home Demonstration programs in Onslow County this spring. In January and February, "Freedom from Want" served as a theme for these months. A study of nutrition, food production, housing and clothing were made. At the January Council Meeting Miss Dorothy Youland, Nutritionist from the State Board of Health, spoke to county women on Nutrition of School Age Children, using as illustrations common foods grown in this area and what they contain. She encouraged the use of more milk in the diet as well as Vitamin C foods.

Garden leaders stressed the necessity of farm families to produce adequate food for their use and for our growing population. Women studied the need for adequate housing in their home demonstration meetings. Stress was placed on Homes Designed for Real Living and homes in which families could feel safe and secure. A study of clothing and how it affects the work of the home maker was made in February.

Freedom of Religion was stressed by our County Council Chairman in her message to the council members in beginning this year's work. Mrs. Odell Parker, council chairman, stressed the need for farm families to take advantage of their privilege to be church members. She urged that we should make our churches more useful and beautiful, that we as home makers should set an example by active participation in all affairs of our rural churches. She urged that we seek out the ones that were not attending. Freedom of Religion was again stressed on February 29th when home demonstration members all over the county were asked to pause in their day's activities at 12 noon and participate in World Day of Prayer.

During April, music in religion will be a special theme at a Rural Church Music School. Rural pastors, members and leaders of music will participate in a county-wide program on Rural Church Music.

To stress Freedom from Fear, citizenship leaders will be taught by members who attended a Citizenship School in Greenville. Only as we have universal peace shall we achieve national peace, therefore the importance of being an intelligent voter will be the underlining thought for a Citizenship School to be held in April.

A successful home is dependent upon a well-informed home maker. To that end "Good Reading" was the theme

for the County Council held in March. Mrs. Elizabeth Aygarn, County Librarian, spoke to the group and told of plans for a better library in the county. Freedom of Speech is encouraged at all meetings. Women are encouraged to give their own ideas and thoughts on any subject under discussion. They are encouraged to speak out on matters pertaining to better school administration and housing. To this end, members voted in a bond election to raise more money so that Onslow County would have better school facilities.

Mrs. J. F. Maready Onslow County Publicity Chairman

Dare County Federation Meeting

The Dare County Spring Federation meeting was held in Kitty Hawk, March 19 with Kitty Hawk and Duck Home Demonstration Clubs acting as hostesses. This was the third county meeting held for Home Demonstration Clubs in Dare County since a county council was organized last March. Two meetings are held each year, one in the Spring and another in the Fall. The first meeting was held in Manteo and second in Rodanthe on the Outer Banks.

Because of the difficulty in travel in Dare County, a bus was chartered from the Outer Banks in order that the women from the five clubs on the banks could attend the meetings as 13.2 miles of road still remains unpaved and must be traveled to reach the upper communities of the county. Lunch is served by the hostess clubs and a two hour session is planned for each meeting.

Mrs. Corinne Grimsley, Family Life Specialist, gave a most interesting talk on improving Family Relations. She was introduced by Mrs. Edgar Hooper, Buxton, Vice-President of County Council. The devotional was given by Mrs. W. J. Freeman, Sr., of Kitty Hawk.

Appreciation to the Kitty Hawk and Duck Clubs who entertained the County Council was given by Mrs. Cedric Midgett, Waves.

Our Responsibility

We are not sent into this world to do anything into which we cannot put our hearts. We have certain work to do for our bread, and that is to be done strenuously; other work to do for our delight, and that is done heartily—neither is to be done by halves, but with a wile, and what is not worth this effort is not to be done at all.

-Ruskin

Plans from Haywood

Haywood County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs met on February 12, 1952 for the first meeting of the new year. Mrs. Carl Medford of the Lake Junaluska Club, newly elected president, presided. Officers of the two newly organized clubs were welcomed into the Council and the Council Secretary, Mrs. Henry Garner of Bethel reported that 92 club officers from the 27 clubs were present.

Plans for the year's activities were announced. These include seven special interest meetings on House Furnishings, Home Management, Foods and Nutrition, Gardens, Poultry, Freezing and Food Conservation, and Clothing.

Club women will participate in the three-day Handicraft Camp to be held here at Camp Schaub for the western counties, the first week in June.

A county-wide Fashion Show will be featured at the Spring Federation. District III, composed of Henderson, Transylvania and Haywood will meet in Brevard on May 14th for their annual meeting.

Plans for the 9-day "Out-of-State Farm and Home Tour" this year are to take the group into New England and Canada.

The Haywood County club women will assist 4-H Clubsters in entertaining our visiting Texans this summer. This return visit from Denton County Texans will complete the second regional 4-H Club Exchange for Haywood County youth.

The Council also voted unanimously to cooperate with the State Federation in every way possible to make the National Meeting, which is to be held in Raleigh, N. C. in October, a success.

Annual Achievement Day will be held jointly with the Demonstration Farmers for a 3-day event in November.

> Mrs. J. E. Burnett Haywood County

Safety Award to be Given in October

Members of NHDC are eligible for the Carol Lane Award of a \$1,000.00 Defense Bond for Traffic Safety to be given in October, 1952, by the National Safety Council to the American woman who has done the most outstanding job in the field of traffic safety. Entries must be submitted by June 30, 1952. For entry blanks write National Safety Council, 426 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago 11, Illinois.

Deep Gap Club Program

The Deep Gap Home Demonstration Club at its first meeting of the year, 1952, outlined its program for the year's work. Part of the plans included in this outline was for each member to take a more active part in the club work so each one was given some project for which she was to be the leader.

The first of these project leaders to have a really big job to do was the one for the month of February. This fell to Mrs. Clifford Ray, former president, and Family Life Leader for the next two years, and her job was to lead the discussion at the monthly meeting on "How Do We Rate As Parents?" Mrs. Ray presented such a wonderful program at her Home Demonstration Club Meeting that she was asked to give it to other groups as well. The first of these was the Holy Trinity Lutheran Missionary Society, and the second was to the Deep Gap Teachers Association. The attendance at the Parent-Teachers Association was the largest group with over one hundred parents, both men and women attending.

The program at the Parent-Teachers meeting was in the form of a panel discussion with three other club members taking part in it. This made it much more interesting for the larger group and when the program was over, the school principal, Mrs. Edith Estes, highly praised the program and suggested that the women have charge of more of these programs for the parents.

Another one of the aims of this for the year is to help people who are in need, and they have already had the opportunity of helping a widow in their community. This woman and her children lost their home and all of their possessions by fire recently. The club purchased sheets, pillow cases, blankets, cooking equipment, and dishes for this family.

The club women are striving to win back the gavel awarded each year to the most outstanding club in the county. They won the gavel in 1950 but lost it in 1951 by a very close margin to the Hodges Gap Club.

Mrs. John Miller Deep Gap Club Watauga County

The Annual Meeting of the National Home Demonstration Council will be held in Raleigh, October 25-29. "Forward to Peace with Freedom" is the theme for the year, and outstanding speakers will bring information of National and International interest.



Entering Newfound Community which won third place in the Model Mile Contest last year.

Roadside Improvement

On Wednesday afternoon, October 17, Mr. J. H. Harris, Extension Horticulturist of State College, visited the county and the agent took him out to judge the model mile contest. The Newfound Home Demonstration Club under the leadership of Mrs. Donald Shook, the club president, won the honor of being placed first in the county and third in the state in the Roadside Improvement Contest. The women in this organization received outstanding cooperation from non-club members and the men in the community in this improvement program. The cost of improving this area amounted to \$40.00 of the club's funds. Most of this money was earned by the women in the club in 1950 when they assisted in preparing and selling food the day of the Farm and Home Tour. Approximately \$100.00 worth of labor and materials were donated. Mr. Rhymer, living with his daughter, Mrs. Chester Cole, a choir leader for the Newfound Club, painted the road signs without charging. It would have cost \$40.00 to have had these signs painted. The large signs marking the entrance to the Newfound Community and the exit including church signs were most outstanding. The large sign on an attractive pipe post with a cross arm reads-"Welcome to Newfound Community." Mr. Harris said that this group of women had done an excellent piece of work with the outstanding cooperation of the men in the community.

> Mrs. A. B. Sutton Buncombe County County Council President

Citizenship Training School

Friday, February 22nd, was appropriately selected for the first Citizenship meeting to be held in Washington County. An assembly meeting was held which included officers, citizenship leaders and health leaders from each club. Sixty attended. Mrs. Howard Walker, county citizenship leader, discussed the citizenship program to the group and a round table discussion of what the club members could do to become better citizens was informative.

At the close of the general meeting the citizenship and health leaders assembled in separate rooms for a leaders' training school. Mrs. Walker worked with her group on the type of program to be presented to the clubs by the individual leader and Miss Elizabeth Wood, county health nurse, trained the health leaders in setting up a home medicine kit, discussed how to prevent accidents in the home and first aid in the home.

While the leaders were being trained the club officers made plans toward observing National Home Demonstration Week. The clubs are planning a May Day Cotton Festival May 1st to be held in Plymouth. Each club member is asked to make and model a cotton dress or apron at the Festival, and "Good Citizenship Day" is planning to be observed by club women during the week.

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Chowan Club Women Plan for 1953

The Home Demonstration Club members of Chowan County have begun the new year's work with more enthusiasm than ever before. As expressed by the President of the Enterprise Club, they enjoy true fellowship with their members, friends and neighbors through the recreation and music programs, as well as gaining information at club meetings.

The February meetings were held in the form of covered dish suppers with the husbands and children being invited. The Farm and Home Agents conducted the program on "Objective Planning for Better Farm Family Living." Committees appointed at these meetings have made surveys to determine the needs of their communities and much interest is shown in developing a community improvement program.

A few of the special activities include the work of Center Hill Club which encouraged every person in their community to have a chest X-ray when the X-ray unit was in the county in February. They canvassed each road and furnished transportation for those who did not have ways to go to the X-ray station. Better health is one of their goals.

Mrs. Belle Parker, Publicity Chairman, gives the following information about Ward Club. It was realized that a Community Center was needed due to the increase in membership and so the club purchased a school building and site to be used for this purpose. It was necessary to level the grounds, and improve the building before it could be used. The club members' husbands and others in the community who brought their tractors, trucks, wagons and mules and saws, cut the trees down and hauled them to a nearby saw mill to be sawed into lumber and used in remodeling the building. The club members showed their appreciation by serving them hot lunch. With this interest and cooperation this group will soon have a much needed community center.

According to Mrs. Percy Nixon, Publicity Chairman, Oak Grove, one of the newest clubs which was started by five women less than three years ago now has 18 very active members. They have made money for their community projects, by selling magazine subscriptions, cards, serving meals, and making and selling nylon flowers and aprons. They have recently acquired a building to be used as a club house so they are busy remodeling and equipping this to meet the social and recre-

ational needs of their families and neighbors.

Home Beautification leaders are urging every club member and non-members in Chowan County to improve their home grounds and the roadside in preparation for their county tour during National Home Demonstration Week. They are recommending that every family clean-up their grounds, making necessary repairs to buildings and fences, plant at least one dogwood tree and other trees or shrubs needed to improve the appearance of their homes and surroundings. Special emphasis is being given to improvement of back yards.

Mrs. Wallace Goodwin Chowan County Publicity Chairman

News from Pisgah Forest

The Pisgah Forest Home Demonstration Club is one of 14 active clubs in Transylvania County. To date the club has 26 members including 7 new members added since December. Three of these, Mrs. J. P. Cheek, Mrs. Claude Ray and Mrs. G. C. Sentelle are charter members.

Great plans for the year's work is going forward under the leadership of our new president, Mrs. B. B. Emory. One of the highlights we are looking forward to is the forming of a chorus which will be under the direction of an interested club member, Mrs. George Yehling. All 14 clubs will participate in the chorus which we are striving to make as a meeting place for singing, good fellowship and an education in music appreciation.

The club project leaders are very active and often give the demonstrations. One of these, making corsages from nylon hose has proven very popular at this season of the year. The leader, Mrs. Leroy Rackley, gave the demonstration and later presented it to a group of FHA and 4-H club girls in one of the high schools. The club has a number of 4-H members in the homes and two members take part by assisting the county leaders. One of our members, Mrs. R. L. Cansler, has been a county council president and is now vice district chairman.

During the past year we visited and inspected a lovely flower garden and a recently constructed modern home. We attended a hat clinic where much experience was gained in remodeling our old hats. One of our aims is Mail Box Improvement and a large number of attractive boxes is the result. Mr. R. L. Cansler, the husband of one of the club members, has been making boxes for the community.

Last year the clubs used the point system for the first time which afforded much competition. Our club won first place in this and also won first prize in the Achievement Day Exhibit. We used for our subject, Food for the Sick, which had been our demonstration for February. We had a lot of fun doing this since we used a store window model seated in a wheel chair and added the other high counting points in the form of books, simplicity, attractiveness and educational value.

Reading is another of our interests and since the county library and a bookmobile are available, members take advantage of this opportunity and as a result have received Reading Certificates.

Much fun is experienced with a Pollyanna feature in the club and during the year remembrance of birthdays, anniversaries and various dates afford lots of pleasure and guessing until the Christmas meeting when the Pollyanna is revealed.

Recreation is one of the things the club enjoys and a spirited game with a small prize always ends the meetings.

> Mrs. C. F. Allison R.F.D. 1 Pisgah Forest, N. C.

Tyrrell County Club women realized a need for a punch set when approximately 150 club women attended the 1950 Fall Achievement Day Program and serving dishes had to be borrowed from people throughout the county. Plans were made at the Winter Council meeting for a money making project, profit from which was to be used for the purchase of a punch set. The council sponsored a talent show and realized more than enough profit to buy a punch bowl, a ladle, a large glass plate, and 102 punch cups. One hundred small glass serving plates have also been purchased. The women of the Columbia Club chose as a community project in 1951 the purchasing of 50 place settings of silver to be used in the Home Agent's office by Home Demonstration and 4-H groups.

> Mrs. L. L. Gibbs Tyrrell Co. Pub. Chm.

Dates Set For Triennial

Word has come from London that the 7th Triennial Conference of ACWW will be held in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Canada, from August 12 to the 23, 1953.

The theme for the Conference is to be, "How can the country woman, as an individual and through her Society, take a more active part in international work?"