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February 13, 1957

TO: Mr. Afbin Pikutis and Ali Others Who Have Written Concerning the Two Weeks' Use in 1957 of the 4-H Club Camp at Hammock's Beach for Crippled Children.

Each of you who receive this letter have written me vary fine letters requesting that the Negro 4-H Club Camp be made available for crippled children for a two weeks' period in 1957. Although most of your letters were written in 1956, I have not been idle in attempting to work out a schedule which would permit us to work in this two-week period.

I am happy to inform you that Mr. R. E. Jones and Mr. W. C. Cooper, of our staff at A. & T. Collège, have made arrangement's to let you use the camp for a period beginning July 1, 1957 and ending July 13, 1957.

If must be understood that this arrangement is for 1957 only and that future use of the camp will have to be worked out on a year-by-year basis.

All further correspondence concerning details of the 1957 camping period should be addressed to Mr. M. C. Cooper, Assistant State Leader, Negro 4-H Club Work, Box 1014, A. & T. College, Greensboro, North Carolina.

We assure you we are happy to be able to let you use this facility and command you for the fine work you are doing with these children.

Sincerely yours.

David S. Weaver

Director

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October 23, 1956

Mr. William C. Cooper Asst. State Leader for Negro Club Work Box 1014 A. & T. College Greensboro, N. C.

Dear Mr. Cooper:

For some years, we have conducted or assisted in the support of two summer camps for white crippled children.

We have been interested in the initiation of such a function for the negro children on our program, but lack of camp facilities has rendered this impossible.

We were pleased, therefore, when such a facility became available and a camp organized for handicapped children by the N. C. Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

It has been our experience that these camps are of inestimable value to handicapped children and yours at Swansboro is no exception. This was reflected to me by my personal observation on the occasion of my visit to your camp this summer. There was apparent all the evidence of a most successful session and you, 4-H and Crippled Children & Adults, are to be highly commended for making this camping experience possible for the crippled children of the State.

Very sincerely yours,

C. B. Kendall, M. D., Chief Crippled Children's Section

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October 23, 1956

Mr. William C. Cooper Asst. State Leader for Negro Club Work Box 1014 A & T College Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Cooper:

As a director of three of the State's Crippled Children's Clinics, one in Halifax, one in Roanoke Rapids and one in Henderson, I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the excellent job you performed as Director of the first Easter Seal Camp operated for the Negro children in North Carolina. This camp was badly needed and I am looking forward to the expansion of its activities during the next season. We have so many crippled Negro children in North Carolina who need the benefits of a summer camp to help them cope both withetheir personal life and with their handicaps.

I amssure that I express the sentiments of all who do work with crippled children in the state of North Carolina but I thank you for the help that you have given these children and, indirectly, to those of us who work with them.

Very truly yours,

Everett I. Bugg Jr. M. D.

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25 October 1956

Mr. William C. Cooper Assistant State Leader for Negro Club Work P.O. Box 1014 A & T College Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Let me thank and commend you for a job well done with the crippled children this past summer at your camp.

Your talk to the meeting in Fayetteville recently, was most inspiring and I am sure, spurs everyone present in Crippled Children Work to a greater effort to aid these crippled and underprivileged children.

We sincerely hope we will be able to again next summer, have these children at camp under your capable supervision.

Sincerely yours.

Preston Wrenn

JPW:gd



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#### The NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY for CRIPPLED CHILDREN

and Adults, Inc.

212 E. ROSEMARY STREET

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"A VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION THAT MEETS THE NEEDS OF CRIPPLED CHILDREN"

October 25, 1956 Gastonia N C

Dear Mr Cooper:

We surely enjoyed the slides that you showed at the meeting in Fayetteville recently. "Seeing is believing" really is true. It must have been a really grand program and we are indebted to you and your staff for this contribution to the handicapped children.

We all hope that it will be possible to continue this plan and I am writing to the three persons suggested, to tell them so.

Gaston County did not send any this past summer, but we are going to plan to if it is in session next summer.

> Very truly yours, marin B. San

Mrs R.L. Sanborn Sec'y N C Society

Treasurer, Gaston C. Chapter

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## NORTH CAROLINA'S HANDICAPPED\*

(children and adults)

 Cerebral Palsy
 12,890

 Residual Polio
 3,170

 Multiple Sclerosis
 2,670

 Arthritis
 40,200

 Multiple Dystrophy
 2,670

 Speech Impediments
 185,300

 Amputees
 10,700

NURSERY CENTERS

Needs to be Met

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October 22,1956

Mr. William C. Cooper Box 1014 A & T College Greensboro, N. C.

Dear Mr. Cooper:

The fact that you have done such a fine job for the crippled children of our State, as Director of the first Easter Seal Camp operated in behalf of the Negro crippled children in North Carolina, has just been called to my attention.

While I have just recently become a Director of the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, I did want to take this opportunity to express my personal appreciation. As you know, a new year will be here soon, and with it will come another need for our Negro crippled children to enjoy the benefits of a camping opportunity. I have written some of the 4-H Club State Directors, for without their help our Society may not be able to afford a Negro camp for crippled children during the coming year. It is certainly hoped that all of us will work toward the culmination of such a program.

With every good wish.

Yours very sincerely

Bill Price, President

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#### Western Carolina College Cullowhee, North Carolina

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

October 22, 1956

Mr. William C. Cooper Assistant State Leader for Negro Club Work Box 1014 A. & T. College Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Cooper:

As a Director of the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Inc., I wish to commend you for your very fine service to the Negro crippled children of North Carolina and for your interest in seeing an expansion in the camping program for such children during the next year.

I am sure that every member of the Board is highly pleased with your intelligent interest and service.

Sincerely yours,

W. E. Bird President

WEB/ac cc: Mr. Albin Pikutis JOHN W. BALUSS, JR., M. D., F. A. C. S.

ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY 232 RAY AVENUE FAYETTEVILLE, N. C. PHONE 2-7090

October 24, 1956

Mr. William C. Cooper Asst. State Leader for Negro Club Work Box 1014 A. & T. College Greensboro, N. C.

Dear Mr. Cooper:

I would like to express to your again my gratitude for your presentation to the State Easter Seal meeting of the summer camping program for Negro crippled children as it was carried under your supervision this last summer. I thought that not only the camping program, on of which all concerned could be proud, but that also your presentation of it at that meeting was most excellent.

I have written to Mr. Harrill, Mr. Weaver, and Mr. Jones expressing to them my own personal appreciation of this camp as well as that of a director of the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, and of course, to urge them to make facilities available in the future in the manner that they were provided this past year.

It was my intention last summer to visit the Swansboro camp. Like many other intention of this sort, those which pertain to things not directly demanded in doing my daily medical practise, I permitted other things to interfere with this plan. I would like to assure you that I do not intend to do so in the future and to offer, in the event that you can use any instruction which I may be able to provide the camping people whom you indocrinate, my services for this.

Very sincerely yours,

John W. Baluss, Jr., M. D.

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October 23, 1956

Mr. William C. Gooper Assistant State Leader for Negro Club Work Box 101h, A. & T. College Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Cooper:

As a member of the Board of the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, I want to congratulate you for the splendid job you did for crippled children in operating the Summer Camp for Negro Crippled Children in North Carolina.

There is perhaps no experience in the life of a growing youngster that means more than the opportunity to participate in the activities of camping. This is doubly true of the crippled child who because of his handicaps is deprived of ordinary opportunities for socialization and a feeling of belongingness. By participating in the activities of a summer camp, a crippled child is afforded an opportunity to engage in normal play and creative activities which aid in the establishment of good health habits, a sense of responsibility, self reliance, and a feeling of belonging.

All the values received from the camping experiences of the crippled child may not be immediately apparent. The values are there, however, and will be reflected in the life of the crippled child as he makes his adjustments to society.

Again may I commend you for your fine spirit of cooperation and service.

Sincerely yours,

Felix & Barker

Director, Division of Special Education

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Rt-1, Denver, N.C. Oc tober 23,1956

Mr. William C.Cooper Asst. State Leader for Negro Club Work Box 1014 A. & T. College Greensboro, N.C.

Dear Mr. Cooper:

I want to take this opportunity to commend you for the fine job you have done for crippled-children as Director of the first Easter Seal Camp operated for the Negro children in North Carolina.

You, of course, realize how important the building of good health, character and self reliance through camping, is to crippled children who h ave to solve the problems of youth as well as those brought about by handicaps.

May the joys of rende ring service beyond the call of duty be yours and may you continue with your worthwhile efforts.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Nannie R. Sigmon Member, Board of Directors N.C. Society for Crippled Children and Adults. Mrs. Prene Statler - Florence

April 13, 1961

Mrs. Tate

Skielog

Mr. Bernard Passer Frogram Director N. C. Society for Crippled Children & Adults 212 E. Rosemary Street Chapel Hill, North Carolina

#### Dear Mr. Passer:

In this letter some information and conditions for carrying out the Easter Seal Camp for 1961 are given. The camp will be held at the Mitchell 4-H Camp in Swansboro, North Carolina. The dates are 2 p.m. Sunday, August 20 through 10 a.m. Saturday, September 2. The terms and conditions to which Director of Mitchell 4-H Camp and the Society agree will be as follows:

Director of Mitchell 4-H Camp agrees:

- To make all of the camp facilities available for use in the program.
- To furnish a camp director, Mr. J. W. Levister, 905 S. Main Street, Louisburg, N. C. His phone number is Gypsy 6-3817. The other staff members in the camp will remain through the program.
- 3. To furnish the Society with complete detailed report of the camping program.
- 4. To alert a local doctor and the Onslow Hospital about the camp and ask them to serve in cases of illiness or emergencies.
- To carry out to the best of our abilities the regular camping program as outlined by the Society and upon which we jointly agree.
- 6. To reserve the right to refuse to accept any camper that we are not in a position to handle because of like of facilities and trained personnel. We will also work in cooperation with the Society in meeting any special effort on the part of any individual campers as far as is within our abilities.

# 7he NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY for Crippled Children and Adults

Incorporated

212 E. Rosemary Street

Chapel Hill, North Carolina

The Easter Seal Society

October 24, 1956

Box 839 Telephone 6911

Albin Pikutis

Executive Director

Mr. L. R. Harrill State 4-H Club Leader 1607 Iredell Drive Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Harrill:

The North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults would like to express to the State 4-H Club Council its appreciation of the fine service you are rendering to the youth of our state.

You are certainly to be congratulated for the beautiful camp at Hammock's Beach Island which has been built through your efforts.

It was indeed fortunate for crippled children that it was possible for the h-H Club council to make arrangements with our agency for the two weeks capping program held this summer. We wish it had been possible for you to have spent some time at the camp during this period. We are sure there was no other group of campers to whom this experience meant more.

At the meeting of our Poard of Directors on October 12, 1956, it was unanimously approved that the Easter Seal camping program for crippled children be continued and expanded.

I have been authorized by our Board to make application to the State 4-H Club Council that the 4-H Club Camp be made available to our Society for a period of two weeks for the 1957 Faster Seal camp for Negro Crippled Children.

In the interest of these children we feel that it is extremely important that our two organizations maintain a permanent cooperative relationship. The problems of handicapped children are constant throughout the year and while we are in a position to finance the operation of a summer camp in their behalf, the continuing guidance they would receive as 4-H Club members in their own communities would be of great benefit to them.

### The NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

### for Crippled Children and Adults

212 E. Rosemary Street

Chapel Hill, North Carolina

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The Easter Seal Society

We want you to know that we appreciate the hard work of Mr. William C. Cooper and his fine staff. It was due to their efforts that the program for the first season's camp was such a success.

Box 839 Telephone 6911

We are sending you a condensed copy of his report with statistical additions as well as a report of all three camps for crippled children operated by our Society.

Albin Pikutis
Executive Director

We would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible. We believe that by starting work early that we will be able to employ additional counselors and increase camper enrollment to take advantage of the full capacity of the camp facilities in 1957.

Thank you again for the cooperation of your organization.

Very sincerely,

Albin Pikutis Executive Director

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cc: Mr. Cooper

Identical letter sent to Mr. Jones and Mr. Weaver

#### 1956 REPORT 1956

EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CRIPPLED CHILDREN
HAMMOCK'S BEACH 4-H CLUB CAMP
SWANSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

Condensed from report submitted by
William C. Cooper
State 4-H Club Specialist

NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN AND ADULTS, INC.
P. O. Box 839, Chapel Hill, N. C. Telephone 6911

#### REPORT

### EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CRIPPLED CHILDREN July 8 - July 22

#### The Camp Site and Facilities

The 1956 Easter Seal Camp for Crippled Negro Children was held at Hammock's Beach 4-11 Club Camp, July 8th to July 22nd. It was directed by the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Inc.

Hammock's Beach 4-H Club Camp is located on a thirty-one acre tract of land near Swansboro in Onslow County, with water frontage on quiet Queen's Creek which is idee! for swimming, boating and fishing.

The buildings are of sturdy construction and are well planned for the convenience and comfort of orippled children.

Eight cabins - four for girls and four for boys - will each accommodate sixteen campers and two leaders.

The two bath houses are equipped with hot and cold showers and flush toilets. The water supply and all sanitary facilities and practices are fully approved by the Health Department.

#### How the Easter Seal Camp Started

The North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Inc. approached the State 4-H Club Council to enlist its cooperation in establishing a much needed camping program for the Negro crippled children of North Carolina.

After much discussion between Mr. Albin Pikutis, Executive Director, and Mrs. Eleanore Malone, Program Coordinator, of the Easter Seal Society and Mr. William C. Cooper, 4-H Club Specialist, Mrs. Idell J. Randall, Assistant State 4-H Club Specialist, Mr. R.E. Jones, State Agent, North Carolina Extension Service, and Mr. L. R. Harrill, State 4-H Club Leader, plans were made for the initiation of this program.

#### Registration

Mrs. Malone and Mr. Pikutis were present for registration of campers, most of whom arrived on Sunday, July 8th. There were forty campers from twenty counties. The nurse's daughter participated as a camper making a grand total of forty-one.

#### Staff

The <u>Camp Director</u>, William C. Cooper is from A. & T. College in Greensboro. He is 4-H Club Specialist with the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service.

<u>Lifeguard</u>, Mrs. Audrey Burt is a graduate of North Carolina College at Durham and is an instructor in Central High School in Hillsboro.

Lifeguard, Franklyn Cheek is a graduate of Dudley High School in Greensboro, which is his home town.

Recreation Instructor, Miss Jean O'Hara is a senior at A. & T. College, majoring in English. She is from New Bern.

<u>Dietician</u>, Miss Queen E. Parrish, is a senior at Bennett College, majoring in Home Economics. She is from Roxboro.

Craft Instructor, Walter Armstrong, is a graduate of Phillips High School, Battleboro and is from Bricks.

Camp Nurse, Mrs. Mabel Ellis Taylor is a Public Health Nurse of the Wilson County Health Department, Wilson, North Carolina,

First Cook, Perry Yeoman is from Leland. He cooks at the Williston School in Wilmington.

Second Cook, Jerry Hurst, is from Swansboro.

#### Program

The program was planned on a schedule in keeping with the resources of the campers and the materials and facilities available. The children were handled in a way to conserve their strength, yet keep them wholesomely occupied.

Activities were carried out on a group basis with competition between the two teams, "Sunshine" and "Busy Bees". Instruction was given in swimming, handicraft, nature study, small games, table manners, safety and first aid. There were flag raising and lowering ceremonies. Assembly programs included dances, marches, story telling, readings, group singing, devotionals and vespers.

#### Special Event

A large motor boat was rented and all campers were taken on an outing to "Hammocks Beach" Island. They had the thrill of a lifetime as they played under the sun, on the sand and in the sea and surf. It was the first time they had seen the Atlantic Ocean, to say nothing of bathing and swimming in its waters. Those who found it difficult to walk in the sand were carried "piggy-back" by the Camp Director and other staff members.

#### Bank and Canteen

When the campers registered, they put their money in the camp bank. During the oncea-day canteen period each child wrote a check limited to ten cents. This system helped to control spending and proved educational in check writing and keeping account of one's money. The Society provided money for those who did not have any spending change.

#### Food

Three wholesome hot meals were served each day, with variety in the main dish and plenty of vegetables and milk. All meals were well prepared and tasty and everyone enjoyed the food and ate heartily. Once each week an outdoor meal was served.

#### Comments and Observations

 The Easter Seal Camp was the first experience of the staff in dealing with handicapped children. After an initial adjustment the children got along well and participated in most activities as well as normal boys and girls. Each of the children demonstrated great hearts and an extreme amount of energy.

Progress reports, filled in by the counselors, show that the campers were cooperative, friendly, helpful and pleasant in most of their dealings with other children and adults. Some of them showed tendencies toward tentrums and anger and wanted to be rough in revenge. Where these traits were present we feel they were due to lack of affection and proper guidance in the past rather than to a deepseated bad disposition.

Attitudes and physical condition showed definite improvement while in camp. A good indication that the children enjoyed the program was their constant asking if they could come back next year and their expression of the hope that they could. Some of the young folks cried when it was time to leave.

- 2. The volunteer service of Nurse Taylor was a definite contribution to the success of the camp program. Mrs. Taylor entered into the program with enthusiasm, teaching first aid and shell craft and even helping cut the grass and weeds. She did not pamper the children but gladly went to their aid when they needed her. The most serious accident was a broken leg, but since this was one of the amputees, it was repaired with adhesive tape.
- 3. The campers demonstrated the ability to be helpful, sympathetic and useful and seemed to have no complexes because of their conditions. Desires to make a worthwhile contribution to society as well as to better themselves seemed to be the attitude held by most of the young people in attendance at camp.
- 4. The sincere thanks and appreciation of the camp staff, the Easter Seal Society and the campers go out to the many volunteers, both white and Negro, who transported the boys and girls to and from camp.

#### Recommendations

It is strongly recommended that the Easter Seal Camp for Negro Crippled Children be continued and expanded. The number of campers should be increased to take full advantage of the fine facilities. Additional staff should be employed and ever continuing work should be done that each year's program may be better.

#### CLASSIFICATION OF CAMPERS BY DIAGNOSIS

Handicapping Condition	Boys	<u>Girls</u>	Total
Polio	8	8	16
Cerebral Palsy	2	1	3
Amputati ons	2	1	3
Spinal Cord Injuries	1	0	1
Deformities of Lower Extremities	4	3	7
Deformities of Upper Extremities	2	1	3
Deformities of Back	2	2	4
Hydrosephalis	0	1	1
Speech Defect	1	1	2
*Normal	_0_	_1_	_1
TOTAL	22	19	41

<sup>\*</sup>Children of members of the staff admitted to camp as part of employment arrangement.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Expenses:	
Rent, Salaries, Insurance, Food for  40 campers (2 weeks each)  \$\frac{1}{2}\text{0.00 per week}	
Administration:	
Publicity	
Total Expenses	\$ 2,109.77
Income:	
Camperships from Easter Seal Funds \$ 1,937.00	
Camperships from other sources 63.00	
Total Income	\$ 2,000.00
Excess Expenses over Income Paid by N. C. Easter Seal Society	\$ 109.77

## EASTER SEAL CAMPS FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN in NORTH CAROLINA

CAMP NEW HOPE, CHAPEL HILL, N.C.

CAMP SOUTH TOE RIVER, MICAVILLE, N.C.

EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CHILDREN, SWANSBORO, N.C.

Submitted by

Eleanore W. Malone Program Coordinator

#### INTRODUCTION

In October, 1955 the Board of Directors of the N. C. Society for Crippled Children and Adults approved the value of a camping program for crippled children and voted for its continuation and expansion.

1. Continuation of Camp New Hope at Chapel Hill.

2. Organization of a camp in the western part of the state.

3. Organization of a camp for Negro crippled children.

The organization, staffing, financing and operation of three camps for crippled children presented many problems to the staff in the state office, in carrying out these directions.

### Chapel Hill, N. C. - August 12 - August 26

Continuing this program presented comparatively few problems, since this was the third year of its operation and it was possible to make the same business arrangements as in previous years. The camp property was rented from the New Hope Preseptyerian Church. Food was provided and prepared by the Camp at a cost of fifty cents per meal.

The Reverend Mr. John Ensign again served as Camp Director and had the responsibility of employment of the counselor staff. The Society paid the staff salaries.

Selection and screening of the campers was the responsibility of the state office.

### CAMP SOUTH TOE RIVER Micaville, N. C. - July 15 - August 12

During the fall and winter several available camp sites in the western part of the state were inspected and the camp at South Toe River was considered to be the most desirable for our purposes. Early in January arrangements were made with the Optimist Youth Administration of Asheville for rental of this property.

The rental arrangements included the use of the property, cots and mattresses and kitchen equipment. The Easter Seal Society had the responsibility of all other phases of operation of the program.

The Program Coordinator was given the responsibility of developing this program and was assigned the duty of serving as Camp Director.

#### Staff:

A great deal of time and work was required in the selection of a competent staff. Experience in camping and an interest in crippled children were the most important qualifications. In spite of the nominal salary offered there were many more applicants than we could accept.

Mrs. Johnson, permanently employed in the state "Home Care Physical Therapy Program" was assigned to the camp staff as nurse and physical therapist.

In future years employment of staff should not require so much work since many of this year's counselors are planning to return.

#### Food:

Mrs. Lela Harris of Micaville, who has had many years of experience in the school lunch program, was employed as food supervisor. She was given the responsibility of employing a kitchen staff, planning all meals and purchasing all food. As evidence of the success of her work, the campers gained a total of 153 pounds during their month at camp.

Careful planning and assignment of surplus food commodities from the Department of Agriculture made it possible for us to provide a plentiful and wholesome diet at a cost of 27.8¢ per meal.

#### Equipment:

The Director also had the responsibility of selection and procurement of all equipment and supplies needed for the operation of the program. Some of this was purchased but much of it was donated. We wish to take this opportunity to thank the many friends of crippled children who helped to make this program possible.

### EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CRIPPLED CHILDREN Swansboro, N. C. - July 8 - July 22

In establishing this program one of our major preliminary problems was locating a suitable camp. Much time and work was required in the inspection of possible facilities. Late in April we were very fortunate in being able to make satisfactory arrangements with the State 4-H Club Council of A. & T. College in Greensboro, for the rental of their new Camp for a period of two weeks.

The arrangements made were based on a flat fee per child per week and included rent, food and the salaries of the key personnel. It was the responsibility of the Society to select and screen the campers and to locate and employ additional counselors and a murse. Through the efforts of the State Board of Health, Mrs. Mabel Ellis Taylor of the Wilson County Health Department joined the staff as camp murse.

Due to the fact that arrangements were concluded so late in the spring we were unable to locate other suitable counselors.

We wish to commend Mr. William C. Cooper, Negro 4-H Specialist, who with his small staff, was responsible for the operation of this excellent program.

#### REPORT

#### 1956 - Camping for Crippled Children - 1956

Summer camping for boys and girls is much more than a vacation - it is a vital educational experience.

And for crippled children whose lives have been so sheltered and whose activities have been too limited, such an experience is even more important than for normal children.

The AIM of our program was to develop in the campers the greatest possible independence and to give them the opportunity for emotional and social growth through association with others.

#### RECRUITMENT. SELECTION & SCREENING OF CAMPERS

#### Publicity:

Announcement of the Camping Program, feature stories and pictures were sent to all major newspapers in the state.

Brochures with information of the program were prepared in the state office and were mailed to all Easter Seal chairmen and members of the Board of Directors, to health officers and supervising murses in County Health Departments, to supervisors of County Welfare Departments, to school superintendents and principals, to all orthopedic surgeons and physical therapists in the state and to many interested individuals.

Brochures and application blanks were sent directly to approximately 400 families with crippled children of camp age.

A "Campership Certificate" and a brochure were sent to all doctors and dentists in the state.

#### Selection and Screening of Campers:

Applications were received from campers who learned of the program from all of these sources. Those campers who needed financial assistance for "Camperships" were referred to the local Easter Seal Chapters or interested local civic clubs or were provided assistance through the generous response of the doctors and dentists.

Admission policies were the same for the three camps: Boys and girls from 8 to 16 years of age who are able to dress and feed themselves, are toilet trained and are able to walk, even if with braces and crutches and who are handicapped by such conditions as polic, cerebral palsy, amputations, injuries, congenital deformities, etc. and are of normal mentality.

Preliminary screening for functional ability was done by the Program Coordinator but a medical certificate from a qualified physician was required before final acceptance of campers. Immunization for typhoid and tetanus was also required.

A TOTAL OF 152 CHILDREN FROM 48 COUNTIES ATTENDED THE THREE CAMPS.

#### CLASSIFICATION OF CAMPERS BY DIAGNOSIS

Handicapping Condition	New Hope	South Toe River	Swansboro	Total
Polio	17	21	16	54
Cerebral Palsy	22	14	3	39
Amputations	5	3	3	11
Spinal Cord Injuries	1	2	1	4
Legg-Perthes Disease	2	1	0	3
Deformities of Lower Extremities	3	3	7	13
Deformities of Upper Extremities	1	2	3	6
Deformities of Back	0	4	4	8
Hydrocephalis	0	1	1	2
Myasthenia Gravis	1	O	0	1
Muscular Dystrophy	1	0	0	1
Arthritis	1	0	0	1
Speech Defect	0	2	2	4
*Normal	0	<u> </u>	_1_	5
TOTAL	54	57	42	152

\*Children of members of the staff admitted to camp as part of employment arrangement.

#### STAFF

	New Hope	South Toe River	Swansboro
Director	1	1	1
Program Director	0	1	0
Camp Physician (on call)	1	1	1
Camp Nurse	1	1	1
*Physical Therapist	1	3	0
**Speech Therapist	0	<u> </u>	0
Senior Counselors	10	11	5
Junior Counselors	5	14	2
Kitchen Staff	5	14	2

<sup>\*</sup>Physical Therapists: At Camp South Toe River the Director, the Camp Nurse and one Senior Counselor were qualified physical therapists and are counted twice. At Camp New Hope the physical therapist from the state office acted in a supervisory capacity and was not resident at the camp.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Speech Therapist: At Camp South Toe River the speech therapist also served as one of the Senior Counselors.

#### THE PROGRAM

The daily schedule and the program in the three camps was much the same as in camps for "normal" children. Slightly more time was needed to change from one activity to another and modifications in rules of games were made to permit participation of all campers. Counselors were alert to help the children when necessary but were careful to encourage independence.

#### Camp Duties:

Each camper was given the responsibility of taking care of his cabin and personal belongings. Inspection was a part of the daily routine and awards for perfection were made. Also, the campers were divided into groups and were given such duties as policing the grounds, arranging table decorations, etc.

#### Swimming:

Swimming was probably the most popular of all activities. It was particularly emphasized at Camp New Hope where the new \$50,000 pool was in operation. However, even the cold mountain water at South Toe River did not detract from the enjoyment of this sport.

#### Boating:

The Negro children at Swansboro had the greatest opportunity to enjoy boating. Quiet Queen's Creek is an ideal place for this sport. Also, a large power boat was chartered for one day and the entire camp took a trip to the ocean, five miles away.

#### Games and Sports:

At all three camp sites there is sufficient level ground for all types of athletic sports, Perhaps soft ball was the most popular but the campers also enjoyed volley ball, badminton, croquet, pingpong and boxing.

#### Crafts:

Many happy hours were spent in this constructive activity. Besides producing many objects to be taken home as mementos of camp, the children showed great imagination and originality in making table decorations and costumes for the banquet and other special occasions.

#### Hiking and Nature Study:

Walks through the woods and along the beach with trained nature counselors brought to the campers an awareness and appreciation of the beauties and wonders of nature.

#### Evening Programs:

The campers and counselors showed great ingenuity in planning interesting programs for the evening. These included talent shows, treasure hunts, square dancing, story telling, campfire singing and at all three camps a final banquet.

#### Cook-outs and Sleep-outs:

Perhaps the campers will remember longest the opportunities they had to cook and sleep in the open. This activity was emphasized and the children had the experience of preparing all three meals out of doors.

#### Vespers and Singing:

On Sundays the vesper service was an impressive ending for the day. The campers formed a choir which added much to this service. Each day was begun with a spiritual thought and grace was sung before every meal.

#### MEDICAL SUPERVISION

#### Camp Doctor:

A qualified physician was on call at all three camps.

#### Camp Nurse:

A registered nurse was employed full time at each of the three camps but fortunately her services were needed only for minor illnesses or accidents. Insurance was carried on all campers and staff.

#### Physical Therapy and Speech Therapy:

Physical therapy was available for those children who needed it at Camp South Toe River and at Camp New Hope. Unfortunately we were unable to provide this service at Swansboro this year.

Speech therapy was offered only at Camp South Toe River.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. It is strongly recommended that camping for crippled children be continued. It was the unanimous opinion of the directors and counselors that this experience is of great benefit to the children.
- 2. It is recommended that the program for Negro children be continued on the same camp site, if possible, and that this program be expanded. Although the camp facilities will accommodate 68 children the number was limited to 40 this year because of lack of time to locate adequate staff.
- 3. It is recommended that we investigate the possibility of rental of Camp South Toe River for a period of eight weeks in 1957.
  - a. One week for counselor orientation and preparation for campers. It was the unanimous opinion of the staff that a pre-camp training period is very important to integrate the objectives of the staff and to make many improvements of the camp property for the convenience of crippled children. It was strongly felt that the additional expense was warranted because of better service to the children.
  - b. Six weeks divided into three two-week periods for camping for children 8 to 16, with the recommendation that children arrange to stay at least four weeks when possible. In the event this plan is followed the program at Camp New Hope should be discontinued.
  - c. One week for a camping vacation for crippled adults.
- 4. It is recommended that planning should be started for the establishment of a permanent camp in North Carolina especially designed for the needs of crippled children and adults, and that a Camping Committee be appointed by the Board at the meeting on October 12th to begin work with the state staff on such plans.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

#### Camp New Hope

Expenses:	
Rent	
Insurance	
Salaries	
Director	
Counselors 500.00	
Nurse	
*Physical Therapist 50.00	
Food and Kitchen Staff 1,558.50	
Laundry	
Craft Material	
Crutch Tips	
T-Shirts	
Travel	
\$ 3,289.12	
<u>Administration</u> :	
Publicity	
Planning and Recruitment	
\$ 235.83	
Total Expenses	\$ 3,524.95
Income:	
Camperships from Easter Seal Funds \$ 2.085.00	
@ \$50,00 each	
Camperships from other sources 615.00	
Sale of T-Shirts	
Total Income	\$ 2,707.00
Excess Expenses over Income Paid	# 030 OF
by N. C. Easter Seal Society	\$ 817.95

<sup>\*</sup>Permanent employee of state office assigned to Camp.

#### Camp South Toe River

	Camp South Toe River			
Ex	penses:			
		\$	300.00	
	Insurance		147.77	
	Pre-camp Counselors Meeting		124.61	
	Salaries			
	*Director		500.00	
	Counselors	1,	,425.00	
	*Nurse		216.50	
	*Physical Therapist		216.50	
	Kitchen Staff		540.00	
	Food	1,	,774.87	
	Equipment and Supplies			
	Athletic		75.37	
	Medical		119.58	
	Craft		59.28	
	Other Equipment		121.61	
	General Supplies		77.86	
	T-Shirts		46.50	
	Laundry		79.62	
	Medical Fees, Brace, Crutch & Shoe repairs		54.00	
	Travel for Operation of Camp		143.24	
	Incidentals		55.75	
	Operation of Store		117.04	
	Travel to Camp	_	97.83	
		\$ 6	,292.93	
Ad	ministration:			
200	Publicity	\$	158.93	
- 4	Planning and Recruitment	-	281.04	
		\$	439.97	*
		3.7		
	Total Expenses			\$ 6,732.90
In	come :			
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	Camperships from Easter Seal Funds	\$ 4	.420.00	
	@ \$100.00 each	100		
	Camperships from other sources		980.00	
	Income from Store		127.89	
	Income from T-Shirts		62.00	
	Total Income			\$ 5.589.89
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Excess Expenses over Income Paid by N. C. Easter Seal Society

\$ 1,143.01

<sup>\*</sup>Permanent employee of state office assigned to camp staff.

#### Swansboro

Expenses:	
Rent, Salaries, Insurance, Food for  40 campers (2 weeks each)  \$20.00 per week \$1,600.00  Nurse (Travel and Campership for daughter)	
\$ 1,797.75	
Administration:	
Publicity	
Total Expenses	\$ 2,109.77
Income:	
Camperships from Easter Seal Funds \$ 1,937.00  \$ \$50.00 each Camperships from other sources 63.00	
Total Income	\$ 2,000.00
Excess Expenses over Income Paid by N. C. Easter Seal Society	\$ 109.77
SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT	
Expenses of Operations	
Camp New Hope	\$ 12 <mark>,367.62</mark>
Income:	
Camp New Hope	<b>\$ 10,296.89</b>
Excess of Expenses Over Income Paid by N.C. Easter Seal Society	\$ 2,070.73

# NARRATIVE REPORT EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CRIPPLED CHILDREN HAMMOCKS BEACH 4-H CLUB CAMP SWANSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

#### THE CAMP SITE AND FACILITIES:

The 1956 Easter Seal Camp for Crippled Negro children of North Carolina was held at Hammocks' Beach 4-H Club Camp. It was directed by the Society of Crippled Children and Adults, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Dates for the encampment were July 8-22, 1956.

Hammocks' 4-H Camp is located on quiet Queens Creek in Onslow County, approximately three miles northwest of Swansboro, North Carolina. There are twelve main buildings and a pump house on a thirtyone acre tract of land. There is a 1421 foot shore line fronting the property that is used for bathing, boating, fishing and swimming. Eight cabins -- four for girls and four for boys, a combination kitchen and dining building, a combination administration-infirmary building and two bathouses on the site at present. The assemblydining room is 36' x 80'; it is also used for class work and recreation. Each of the eight cabins is 22' x 32' and houses eighteen people - sixteen campers and two leaders. The leaders have semiprivacy. All the buildings are wired and electric lighted. All wires leading to the various buildings are underground except the main line coming into camp. The cabins are equipped with three foot double deck beds and all felt mattresses. The 29'4" x 34' kitchen is all electric. It has an 8' x 8' walk-in cooler, a 35 cubic foot reach-in box, dish washer, glass washer, mixer, potato peeler and other modern conveniences. All sinks and tables are stainless steel. It is as well equipped as any institution of its kind to be found in the State and is superior to most. All the buildings are constructed of blocks with concrete floors. The windows are fully screened with shutters hinged at the top. These shutters give an awning effect when opened. The windows in the kitchen have glass and screens. Most of the time a brisk breeze makes for comfortable living at the camp.

#### HOW THE EASTER SEAL CAMP GOT STARTED:

Early in February Mrs. Eleanor Malone, Program Coordinator for North Carolina Society for crippled Children and Adults, contacted the Four-H Club Office of A. and T. College about the possibility of an Easter Seal Camp. Following this contact, the 4-H Club Specialist discussed the idea with Mr. R. E. Jones, State Agent, North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service and Mr. L. R. Harrill, State 4-H Club Leader. These people agreed that it would be a fine gesture on the part of the State 4-H Club Council to support such an activity if all the camping season would not be used by 4-H members. Mrs. Malone and the 4-H Office kept in touch about developments through correspondence.

On the afternoon of April 10, 1956, Mrs. Malone visited the 4-H Club Office at A. and T. College for a conference with Mrs. Idell J. Randall, Assistant State 4-H Club Specialist and W. C. Cooper, State 4-H Club Specialist. After much discussion, the dates of July 8-22, 1956 and terms to be followed for the Easter Seal Camp were agreed upon. Following Mrs. Malone's visit, a conference was held between the State Agent and the 4-H Club Specialists. Mr. Jones gave his final approval to the project. A confirmation letter, including terms for supporting the camp, was sent to Mr. Albin Pikutis, Executive Director of the Society; this letter was dated April 12, 1956.

#### THE CAMP PROGRAM

#### REGISTRATION -

Saturday, July 7, 1956, saw the first campers arrive; Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Owens, Asheville, North Carolina, were the first to get in with three young people - one boy and two girls. On Sunday and Monday the remainder of the group arrived. Public Health Nurses, Welfare Workers and friends brought and returned most of the people to and from camp. A few of them were transported by their parents. Mrs. Malone and Mr. Pikutis arrived Sunday, July 8; they registered the children and got the program started. There were forty campers from twenty counties in the delegation; Mecklenburg led the list with five campers, one girl and four boys. During registration, one boy from Duplin County had a very strenuous epiletic attack. The nurse and others on the staff felt that he should be returned home: this was done. It was heartbreaking for the young man and for us. According to the records all the applicants who paid did not attend. (See pictorial section of report for county by county delegation.) The nurses' daughter participated as a camper which made the grand total forty-one. STAFF -

Though the 4-H Club Specialist and the Society personnel worked to get volunteer counselors, we were unable to get anyone to serve. Some of the regular camp staff members served as counselors along with performing their other duties. The complete staff that worked to carry out the Easter Seal Camp Program consisted of Camp Director, Camp Dietitian, Craft Instructor, Cooks (2), Lifeguards (2), Nurse and Recreation Instructor. (See pictorial section)

Mrs. Audrey Burt, lifeguard, is a graduate of North Carolina College at Durham. She is an instructor in Central High School, Hillsboro, North Carolina. Mrs. Mabel E. Taylor is a Public Health Nurse of the Wilson County Health Department, Wilson, North Carolina, Miss Queen E. Farrish is a senior at Bennett College. She is Majoring in Home Economics, a 4-H member and her home is in Roxboro, North Carolina. Miss Jean O'Hara is a senior at A. and T. College; her Major is English. She is from New Bern, North Carolina. Franklyn Cheek, lifeguard, is a 1956 graduate of Dudley High School, Greensboro, North Carolina, his home town. Walter Armstrong is a 1956 graduate of Phillips High School, Battleboro, North Carolina; his home is at Bricks, North Carolina. Jerry Hurst, second cook, is from Swansboro, North Carolina. Perry Yeoman, first cook, is from Leland, North Carolina. He cooks at Williston School, Wilmington, North Carolina. The Camp Director, William C. Cooper is from A. and T. College, Greensboro, North Carolina. He is 4-H Club Specialist with the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service. ACTIVITIES AND INSTRUCTION

The Society did not present a formal, detailed and outlined printed program to be followed by the camp staff. After discussing features for the program, the camp activities were carried out on a schedule in keeping with the resources of the campers and the materials and facilities available. The children were handled in a way to reserve their strength and yet keep them Wholesomely occupied. The delegation was organized into two groups, "Sunshine' and 'Busy Bees'". Each had a captain. Class work and activities were carried out on a group basis. Instruction in first aid, handicraft, swimming, small games, nature study, table manners and safety was given. In handicraft the campers made articles from shells.

copper, clay, leather and bead kits; these were theirs to take home

Each day the group participated in activities in addition to class work. Flag raising and lowering ceremonies, supervised recreation and assembly programs were held. The assembly programs consisted of devotionals, group singing, readings, stunts, story telling, dances, marches and vespers.

Since the camp did not own any boats, some were rented to give the campers boating experience. A large boat was secured one day and all the boys and girls were taken on an outing to "Hammocks Beach" Island. They had the thrill of a lifetime as they played under the sun, on the sand and in the sea and surf. It was the first time they had seen the Atlantic Ocean to say nothing of bathing and swimming in its waters. Those who found it difficult to walk in the sand were carried "piggy-back" by the camp director and other staff members.

The general schedule for each day was as follows:

Rising Bell

Flag Raising	8:15 A.M.
Breakfast	8:30 A.M.
Camp Duties	9:00 - 9:45 A.M.
Class Work	10:00 - 12:00 Noor
Dinner	1':00 P.M
Rest and Free	1:30 - 2:30 P.M.
Practice Program	2:35 - 3:15 P.M.
Canteen Open	3:15 - 3:35 P.M.
Swimming	3:45 - 4:30 P.M.
Organized Recreation	4:45 - 5:30 P.M.
Flag Lowering	5:45 P.M.
Supper	6:00 P.M
Evening Program and Vespers	7:00 - 8:30 P.M.
Lights Out	9:00 P.M.

7:00 A.M.

When the campers registered, they put their money into the camp bank. It was agreed that each one could spend a total of ten cents per day in the canteen. During the once per day canteen period each one wrote a

check up to ten cents. This system helped to control the spending and proved educational in check writing and keeping an account of one's money. The Society provided money for those who did not have any spending change.

Three heavy hot meals were served each day. The meals had a variety of vegetables and milk along with variety in the main dish.

No meal was repeated during the week. All the meals were well prepared, tasty and served family style except the one outdoor meal each week. Hamburger was used for this meal one week and franks used the other week. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed the food and ate heartily. The campers helped set up and serve the tables and cleared them when they had completed dining.

#### COMMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS -

1. The Easter Seal Camp was the first experience for the staff to deal with handicapped children in such a setting. We found that after their adjustment was made they got along very well. They were active and participated in most activities just as well as normal boys and girls. For instance we were surprised to find that some of them in braces slept on the top of the doubledeck beds. Each of the children demonstrated great hearts and an extreme amount of energy except Nellie Curry who did nothing but sit and read most of the time. Their attitudes and physical conditions showed that they made definite improvement while in camp.

No one could detect the two double amputees unless they were pointed out to them.

Some of the children displayed signs of having had too much

attention while others showed they had not been given much attention or affection. All of them enjoyed the staff members putting their arms around them, kissing them and doing things to make them happy and comfortable. Though the staff members demonstrated affection, they did nothing for a camper that he could do for himself.

We feel that their constant asking if they could come back next year, and at the same time expressing the hope that they may, was a good indication that they enjoyed the two week's program. Some of the young folks cried when it was time to leave because they did not want to go home.

The campers' progress reports, filled in by the counselors, shows that the campers possessed the ability to adjust to the "away from home" environment. They were cooperative, friendly, helpful and pleasant in most of their dealings with other children and adults. Some of them showed tendencies toward tantrums, got angry quickly and wanted to be rough in revenge. Some could tease but could not stand to be teased. Where these traits were present, we feel they were due to lack of affection and proper guidance in the past rather than to a deep-seated bad disposition. There was only one camper whom we feel should not be allowed to attend camp again unless we have assurance that he will behave properly. He is Ralph Hubbard of Lenoir County.

2. The volunteer service of Nurse Taylor was a definite contribution to the success of the camp program. She expressed interest in the children and what we endeavored to do for them. It was a great relief to have her professional know-how present even

though nothing serious happened. There were some of the usual stomach aches and headaches. The most serious thing that happened was when Marion Ettison of Durham stumbled, fell, and broke one of his legs; he was one of the two double amputees.

The nurse taught some first aid, some shell craft and generally assisted with the program. She even went so far as to take some of the campers and cut grass and weeds. Thus, she demonstrated her willingness to work along with the children and her respect for property and clean surroundings. She did not pamper the folks but gladly went to their aid when they needed her.

- 3. The campers demonstrated and expressed the ability to be helpful, sympathetic, and useful; yet, they had no complex because of their conditions. Annie Wheeler of Reidsville cared for Hunter Marie Neal, also of Reidsville, just as devotedly as a mother or nurse. Nellie Curry of Burlington was careful to see that Dora Rogers and Veradrine Foust were will groomed at all times, got to bed and observed hours for rest. Thomas Brown of Charlotte and Marion Ettison of Durham both expressed the desire to become trained to make artificial limbs. Jessie Bell Faison of Fairmont wants to be a nurse. Desires to make worthwhile contributions to society as well as to themselves seem to be the kind of attitude held by most of the young people in attendance at camp.
- 4. A great spirit of helpfulness, sincerity and love was demonstrated by the volunteers who transported the boys and girls to and from camp. Both white and Negro women and men served

in this capacity. The sincere thanks and appreciation of the camp staff, the Society Personnel, and we are sure that of the campers, go out to these humanitarians who put service above silver.

- 5. There should either be paid or volunteer counselors to work with the campers during their stay in camp. These counselors should be older boys and girls or adults. It works a hardship on the regular camp personnel to serve as counselors along with their other duties in the program as we have it set up in our 4-H camp.
- 6. The 4-H Camp, as we carry out the program in North Carolina, may not offer as wide a range of activities from which a selection may be made as some commercial camps. For this reason, we feel that a planned, printed program, giving a schedule of activities, should be used for the Easter Seal Camp. A printed program will give the Camp additional class and prestige. More tangible results are obtained from an organized and scheduled set of activities to be followed. The planning should make allowances for a reasonable amount of flexibility, freedom and development of individual initiative and resourcefulness.
- 7. Carolyn Shaw of Fayetteville and Adam Abrams of Charlotte were voted the best girl and boy camper for the period. The voting was done by the campers.
- 8. We feel that if at all possible the Easter Seal Camp for Crippled Negro children should be continued.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT -

There were forty-one campers who remained for two weeks. The itemized expenses for the camp program is as follows:

41 camper	s @ \$20	0.00 p	er week	each				\$1640.00
Rental of	motor	boat :	for one	week				10.00
Rental of	large	boat,	one da	y, for	Special	Tour	•	20.00
					TOTA	L		\$1670.00

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Cooper

Negro 4-H Club Specialist and

Camp Director

A. and T. College

Greensboro, North Carolina

# MARRATIVE REPORT EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CRIPPLED CHILDREN HAMMOCK'S BEACH 4-H CLUB CAMP SWANSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

July 14 - 28, 1957

THE CAMP SITE AND FACILITIES:

The 1957 Easter Seal Camp for Crippled Negro Children of North Carolina was held at Hammock's Beach 4-H Club Camp. It was directed by the Society of Crippled Children and Adults, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Dates for the emcampment were July 14-28, 1957.

The 4-H Club Camp was dedicated on Friday, June 14, 1957 and officially named the John W. Mitchell 4-H Camp, Swansboro. North Carolina. The camp which is located on quiet Queen's Creek in Onslow County about three miles northwest of Swansboro, North Carolina, consists of twelve main buildings and a pump house on a thirty-one acre tract. The 1421 foot shore line fronting the site is used for bathing, boating, swimming and fishing. Eight cabins - four for boys and four for girls are used as dormitories; a combination kitchen and dining building, a combination administrationinfirmary building and two bath-houses are presently on the site. The assembly-dining room 36' x 80' is also used for class work and recreation. Each of the dormitory cabins is 22' x 32', housing eighteen people - sixteen campers and two leaders. The leaders have semi-privacy. The buildings are all lighted electrically. All wires leading to the buildings are underground. The cabins are equipped with 3 foot double

deck beds and felt mattresses. The 29'4" x 34' kitchen is all electric, having an 8' x 8' walk-in cooler, a 35 cubic ft reach-in box, dish washer, glass washer, mixer, potato peeler, ice-maker, deep-fat fryer and other modern conveniences. All tables and sinks are stainless steel. It is as well equipped as any institution in the state and is superior to many. All of the buildings are concrete block constructed with concrete floors, windows fully screened with top-hinged shutters which give an awning effect when opened.

The kitchen windows are both glassed and screened. A brisk breeze most of the time makes for very comfortable living at camp.

#### SECOND YEAR OF OPERATION:

After having held a very successful camp year in 1956 for Negro Crippled Children, Mrs. Eleanor Malone, Program . Co-ordinator of the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults, conferred with the Assistant State 4-H Leaders at A. and T. College, W. C. Cooper and Mrs. Anna D. Hunter concerning again using the facilities of the John W. Mitchell 4-H Camp in Swansboro for two weeks in July. It was confirmed that the weeks of July 14-28 could be used for the Easter Seal Camp. Terms for the use of the camp were agreed upon by all concerned. A confirmation letter was sent to Mrs. Malone on March 20, 1957.

#### REGISTRATION:

The first group arrived on Saturday night, July 13, from Charlotte, North Carolina, transported by Mr. Howard Moreland,

principal of the Marie Davis School and a member of the Easter Seal Board in Charlotte, and Mr. Earl Colston, a teacher at the West Charlotte High School. This group of eight arrived unexpectedly because the letter which was to notify us of the arrival was mailed in Charlotte on July 15, arriving at camp on 16th. However, we made arrangements for accommodations for both groups of crippled children and for the men who transported them. Two of the group were returned home next day after due consideration by all concerned as we felt that we did not have either the facilities nor the trained staff to give them the special individual care which they would need. Two others from Charlotte, one in a wheel chair, Johnny Montgomery, and another who needed a wheel chair, William Campbell, were kept even though the latter had to be carried around the entire time.

On Sunday, July 14 the remainder of the group arrived.

Public Health Nurses, welfare workers and friends brought and returned most of the children to and from camp. A few were brought by their parents, while several who were sent by bus, arrived in Jacksonville, North Carolina. It was necessary to send transportation to the bus three times to bring children to the camp and once to return them to the bus for transportation to their homes. Mr. Bert Hawley,

Field Representative of the N. C. Society for Crippled

Children and Adults and Mr. Owen Hale were on hand to register the children and get the program started. Mrs. Mable E.

Taylor, Camp Nurse along with Mr. Hawley, Mr. Hale and Mrs.

Anna D. Hunter, Assistant State 4-H Club Leader and Camp Director, screened the children and it was at this time that it was decided to send Perry Fields and Odell Cornelius back to Mecklenburg County with Mr. Moreland and Mr. Colston. It was heart breaking to have to send these young people home and we all felt at the time that more thorough screening should be done on the other end, that is, in the home county, in order to prevent these young people from being so disappointed and so discouraged. We registered a total of 44 crippled children and with the nurse's daughter again participating as a camper there was a grand total of 45 children ranging from ages 6-17.

This year in addition to the regular camp staff there were six counselors, three men and three women and one nurse who served as additional staff during the Easter Seal Camp.

The Regular 4-H Camp Staff consisted of Camp Director, Camp Dietitian, Craft Instructor, Cooks (3), Lifeguards (2) and Recreation Instructor.

Miss Jean O'Hara, Recreation Instructor, a recent graduate of A. and T. College begins her teaching career as English instructor in the public schools in New Jersey on September 1 of this year. Miss O'Hara is a resident of New Bern, North Carolina. Franklyn Cheek, lifeguard, is a freshman at A. and T. College, majoring in Pre-med. His home town is Greensboro, North Carolina. George Hunter, lifeguard, a

sophomore at Pennsylvania State University in Pa., majoring in Electrical Engineering, also comes from Greensboro, North Carolina. Walter Armstrong, freshman at A. and T. College comes from Bricks, North Carolina. Johnny Bryant, second cook, comes from Wilmington, North Carolina, a student at Williston School. Perry Yeoman, first cook, is from Leland, North Carolina and cooks at Williston School in Wilmington, North Carolina. Miss Geraldine McKennie, dietician, is a senior at A. and T. College majoring in Home Economics and a former 4-H member whose home town is near Wilson, North Carolina. Miss Doris Jones, craft instructor, a sophomore at N. C. College in Durham is from Hamlet, North Carolina.

Mrs. Anna D. Hunter, camp director, is Assistant State 4-H Leader with the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service at A. and T. College in Greensboro, North Carolina.

The counsellors were: Mr. Caldwell from Chapel Hill,
Mr. Jones from Chapel, Mr. Charles Branford from Wilson, Mrs.
Cozart from Raleigh, Mrs. Johnson from Durham and Mrs. Carr
from Greensboro. Mrs. Mabel E. Taylor is a Public Health
Nurse of the Wilson County Health Department, Wilson, N. C.
ACTIVITIES AND INSTRUCTION:

The Society did not present a formal printed program
to be followed by the camp staff. After discussing features
for the program, the camp activities were carried out on a
schedule in keeping with the abilities of the campers and the
materials and facilities available. The children were handled
in a way to reserve their strength and yet keep them wholesomely occupied.

The delegation was divided into three groups - "Sunshine",
"Busy Bees" and "Spinning Wheels". Class work and activities
were carried out on a group basis, each having a captain.
Instruction was given in first aid, handicraft, swimming,
safety, small games and table manners. In handicraft the
campers made articles from shells and each made a study lamp
to take home.

Each day, in addition to class work the group participated in other activities as flag raising and lowering ceremonies, supervised recreation, assembly programs and evening vespers. The assembly programs included devotionals, group singing, recitations, stunts, story telling, dances and marches.

A motor boat was rented to give the campers boating experience. Some of the children were not supposed to go in the water due to their handicaps and they, especially, enjoyed boating. The entire group was taken on an outing to "Hammock's Beach Island". Because of the rough terrain, some of the severe handicaps remained on the boat with one life guard and the camp director and crew. We enjoyed a longer boat ride until time to start back for camp. The youngsters who got off gathered enough shells to share with the others who were less fortunate. It was the first time many of them had seen the ocean and a real beach.

The general schedule for each day was as follows:

Rising Bell 7:00 a.m.

Flag Raising 7:45 a.m.

Breakfast 8:00 a.m.

Camp Duties	8:30-9:30 a.m.
Assembly	9:45 a.m.
Class Period	10:00-12:00 Nooi
Dinner	12:30 p.m.
Rest	1:00-2:30 p.m.
Practice Program	2:45-3:15 p.m.
Canteen Open	3:15-3:35 p.m.
Swimming	3:45-4:30 p.m.
Organized Recreat-	
ion	4:45-5:30 p.m.
Flag Lowering	5:45 p.m.
Supper	6:00 p.m.
Evening Program	7:00-8:15 p.m.
Vespers	8:45-9:00 p.m.
Taps	9:00 p.m.
Lights Out	9:30 p.m.

When the campers registered they put their money into the bank. Each one could spend a total of 11 cents per day at the canteen. During the once per day canteen period each one wrote a check up to eleven cents. This system helped to control spending. The Society provided ten dollars for those who did not have any spending change.

Three heavy hot meals were provided daily. The meals were well balanced to provide a variety of vegetables, meat was served at least twice daily, most breakfasts included some type of meat along with the daily eggs. Plenty of milk was served 3 times daily; some children drank as many as 3 glasses per meal. Most of the children enjoyed their meals and ate heartily. Only two campers had to be fed. All meals

were served family style and were well prepared and tasty.

We had one out-door meal consisting of hot dogs, etc. served picnic style, and on the last evening the meal was served banquet style. They helped to set up the tables and serve the meals and helped to clear them afterward.

The campers as well as the staff had a wonderful time in all of the activities.

COMMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS:

1. Four of the regular camp staff had no experience in working with handicapped children prior to this year while for the others this was their second experience. The first day we were impressed with the fact that these children were generally very quiet, long suffering and patient. By the second day, however, we realized that this first impression was very incorrect. The group became adjusted to their new environment and it became very evident that children are the same regardless of their handicaps. They were treated just as all children are and they responded in like manner.

Johnny Montgomery, a boy confined to a wheel chair, loaned his chair to William Campbell on numerous occasions in order, to relieve others of having to carry the latter from one part of the camp to another.

Jerome Durham who at first was unable to manage with his crutches having both lower limbs

in braces, was taught through the perseverance of his counselor, Mr. Caldwell, staff member, Miss Doris Jones, and the other children how to place his legs one before the other in more or less of a walking motion by the time the nurses from Asheville came for the group. I believe that they felt that Jerome had indeed shown much progress. Tommy Hudson, also from the same county, tried to be very protective toward some of the less fortunate children.

It was a wonderful experience seeing most of the children grow stronger and more aggressive day by day. A great deal of it we feel was due to the nutritious diet including plenty of milk, meat and vegetables; outdoor recreation and exercise played its part, and the tender care which was given very objectively by all of the regular staff and the Easter Seal Counselors also worked miracles.

Most of these children were greatly benefitted by their stay at camp. One little boy, however, Richard Edwards from Lenoir County, seemed to retrogress during his second week, we are sorry to say. Realizing that sometimes home environment and care has a lot to do with a person's adjustment we feel that perhaps he needed a little more sympathetic care than his counselor, Mr. Branford, was willing to offer.

Another boy, James Smith from Rowan County, received a very bad report from his counselor. Perhaps he was not ready for camp, but I should like to see him given another opportunity. I understand that his home life has been very undesirable. These children need a great deal of love, even more so than other children and many of them show indications of not having had either affection or proper diet. Many cried when it was time to go. We wish they could have stayed longer and that others could be given the opportunity of experiencing camp life.

The campers' progress reports, filled in by the counselors, show that they were able to adjust to the new environment, that they were cooperative, friendly, helpful with each other and pleasant in most of their dealings with others. There were some evidences of bad temper, teasing and "getting even": but no more so than in any other group. The most frequent complaint on the part of the counselors was about frequent or habitual bed-wetting, even though this was not mentioned on the records of these children. We would recommend that some rubber sheets be supplied by the Society to protect the mattresses of these children and also some bed sheets be supplied for those who for some reason fail to bring them. There were several cases this year. Our camp does not supply bed linen to 4-H'ers, therefore, we do not have a supply on hand. The counselors, also, should be told to bring their own bedding.

- 2. Again this year we were very fortunate to have no cases of illness at camp, other than a few insect bites. Nurse Taylor was on call in case of need and it is always good to know that professional help is near when needed. The nurse showed the children how to make ash trays from cement and the shells they collected on their trip to the beach. She also taught them some first aid and spoke to them about good health habits.
- 3. Several children showed evidence of some little complexes which might have been a result of their handicaps but could very easily be due to their backgrounds or environment. Betty Alston from Wake County, Thomas Johnson of Pitt County, Lucille Surratt of Burke County, Lulu Mae Scott from Richmond County and James Edward Perry from Franklin were very shy and reserved; although they would do anything that they were asked to do, they did not enter into activities freely as did the others. Bobby Davis of Lenoir and James Smith of Rowan needed to feel that they were wanted.
- 4. Several of these children, it was felt, could fit into a camp for normal children with no problems whatever: Edward Totten of Rockingham, William Louis Sanders of Wake, Leroy Richardson of Wilson, John Davis Bennett of Cumberland, Freddie Earl Smith of Lenoir, Howard Thorne, Jr. of Halifax, Delores Cook and Estelle Rutherford of Guilford. These children's

- defects were not noticeable, did not show them up a bit and they should be encouraged to keep up with other children.
- 5. The volunteers who brought the children to camp exemplified with few exceptions a great spirit of love and helpfulness. Most of these people of both races showed that they were thoroughly familiar with the children, knew their case histories and their backgrounds and were sincerely interested in their future welfare. Our respect and admiration go out to these devout people.
- 6. Six counselors were sent to the camp in Swansboro by the Society and these were in addition to the regular 4-H Camp Staff. One nurse was also on campus during that period. Some few problems arose that we should like to discuss with Mrs. Malone, Mr. Pikutis and Messrs. Hawley and Hale some time in the near future.
- 7. Ten dollars was left with the camp director to supplement the children's canteen funds. It was suggested that half of this money (\$5.00) be reserved to pay something on Easter Seal T-Shirts. Since there was no balance (more than ten was needed for canteen) it was felt that it would be better to forget about paying any part on the T-shirts this year. Another year, it should be announced in advance to the persons concerned that there would be a slight charge for T-shirts.

- Negro Children has ended its second successful year. We feel that it serves a great need and that more children should be privileged to share the experiences of camp life. We also feel that a more thorough system of screening children for camp should be followed. The persons who share the responsibility of selecting these children need to be aware that we do not have the facilities nor the trained personnel to care for cases needing special care unless such personnel is going to accompany such cases. We feel that it is unkind to have to send children back home after they have arrived at camp and feel that such screening should be done prior to their being sent from the county.
- 9. We hope that another year some thought will be spent on considering younger counselors - perhaps students who are working in psychiatric medicine or medical social work.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The itemized expenses are as follows:

45 Campers @ \$20.00 per Week - (2 Wks)\$1800.00
Rental of Motor Boat - 8 days 24.00
Rental Large Boat for Tour 29.50
Travel to Jacksonville
*Craft Materials
Postage
TOTAL \$1886.18

\*This amount was alloted for craft materials, however, each camper made a pin-up lamp which cost \$1.10 each.

Respectfully submitted,

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(Mrs.) Anna D. Hunter Asst. State Leader for Negro Club Work

and

Camp Director

ADH/rfg

# SUMMARY OF HANDICAPS

DISABILITY	BOYS	GIRLS
Cerebral Palsy	4	3
Polio	9	9
Idiopathic Scoliosis	1	0
Amputation		-1
Injury	2	2
Congenital Deformity	3	2
Club Foot (Operated)		0
Spastic flat feet	1.0	0
Muscular Dystrophy	CARLE	1
T B of hip, knee, foot	1	0
T B of Spine	1	1
General Weakness	0	1
No Deformity	0	0
	25	20

# CHILDREN ATTENDING EASTER SEAL CAMP - 1957

NAME	COUNTY	ADDRESS	HANDICAP	SEX AND AGE
Ourham, Cornell Jerome	Buncombe	195 S. Grove St. Asheville, N. C.	Cerebral Palsy	Male - 6½
Greene, Steve	Buncombe	66 Brooklyn Avenue Asheville. N. C.	Cerebral Palsy	Male - 11
ludgens, Dian	Buncombe	51 Ora Street Asheville. N. C.	Cerebral Palsy	Female - 7
ludson, Tommy	Buncombe	1 Max Street Asheville, N. C.	Polio	Male - 7
owman, Wendell Ray	Buncombe	14 Lotta Street Asheville, N. C.	Idiopathic Scoliosis	Male - 11
Surratt, Lucille	Burke	400 Bouchelle St. Morganton. N. C.	Polio	Female - 13
farrington, Herman Lee	Chatham	Route 3, Apex, N.C.	Polio (Congenital De- formity)	Male - 12
ennett, John David	Cumberland	161 Wall Street Rte. 6, Box 10-A Fayetteville, N.C.	Polio (Useless rt. leg)	Male - 9
Shaw, Carolyn Ann	Cumberland	406 Van Story St. Fayetteville, N. C.	Amputation	Female - 13
erry, James Edward	Franklin	Franklinton, N. C.	Injury	Male - 11
owell, Marvin Glenn	Gaston	618 Shady Street	Cerebray Palsy (Mild) (Spastic Quadriplegis)	Male - 81/2
Marris, Addie Lee	Granville	Route 4, B. 163-A	Polio	Female - 14

# CHILDREN ATTENDING EASTER SEAL CAMP - 1957 (Page 2)

NAME	COUNTY	ADDRESS	HANDICAP	SEX AND AGE
Coppedge, Thelma Ruth	Greene	Route 1, Box 317 Snow Hill, N. C.	Polic-Spastic deformity - Parathesis both legs and buttocks-Trophic ulcer buttock.	Female - 15
Briggs, Michael Anthony	Guilford	1204 Salem Street Greensboro, N. C.	Polio	Male - 6
Cook, Delores	Guilford	1025 Leonard Street High Point. N. C.	Cerebral Palsy	Female - 9
Kendall, Hugh	Guilford	1608 S. Benbow Rd. Greensboro, N. C.	Polio	Male - 13
Rutherford, Estelle	Guilford	730 E. Washington St. High Point, N. C.		Female - 14
Garrell, Harvey	Halifax	Route 2, Box 19 Scotland Neck. N.C.	Polio	Male - 13
darry, Dorothy Jean	Halifax	1901 Church Street Roanoke Rapids, N.C.	Polio	Female - 7
Thorne, Howard	Halifax	Route 1, Box 112 Littleton, N. C.	Slipped Epiphysis left	Male - 15
Davis, Bobby	Lenoir	1504 Desmond Street	Polio	Male - 8
Edwards, Richard	Lenoir	521 fower Hill Road Kinston, N. C.	Congenital Deformity Palsy or Spastic	Male = 7
Smith, Freddie Earl	Lenoir	1105 Elm Street Kinston, N. C.	Caub Foot (right)	Male - 6

# CHILDREN ATTENDING EASTER SEAL CAMP - 1957 (Page 3)

NAME	COUNTY	ADDRESS	HANDICAP	SEX AND AGE
Campbell, William	Mecklenburg	400 Cherry Street Charlotte, N. C.	Muscular Dystrophy	Male - 13
Contrell, James, Franklin	Mecklenburg	Route 1. Pineville	T B of Spine	Male 15
Kiser, Robert, Jr.	Mecklenburg	CMR-523 Box 66 Morning Drive Charlotte, N. C.	Cerebral Palsy	Male - 7
Montgomery, John E.	Mecklenburg	2908 Tryen St. Charlotte, N. C.	Polio	Male - 17
Walker, Veronica	Mecklenburg	1922 W. Trade St. Charlotte, N. C.	Muscular Dystrophy Scoliosis (Knee)	Female - 12
Caldwell, Mazzie	Orange	407 Church Street Chapel Hill. N.C.	General Weakness-Feeble	Female - 17
Johnson, Thomas James	Pitt	Box 2, Falkland, N.C.	Amputation (Congenital amputee)	Male - 10
Scott, Lula Mae	Richmond	Route 1, Box 85	Injury	Female - 13
McCollum, Marion	Rockingham	405 Henry St. Leaksville, N.C.	Congenital Deformity	Female - 8
fhompson, Emma	Rockingham	42 Reynolds Street Leaksville, N. C.	Polio	Female - 12
Potton, Edward G	Rockingham	Rt.5, Box 190 Reidsville, N. C.	Deformity of feet	Male - 14
Wheeler, Annie L.	Rockingham	505 Roanoke Alley Reidsville, N. C.	Injury (Burns)	Female - 12
Oglesby, John	Rowan	412 Broad Street E. Spencer, N. C.	Deformed left leg	Male - 14

# CHILDREN ATTENDING EASTER SEAL CAMP - 1957 (Page 4)

NAME	COUNTY	ADDRESS	HANDICAP	SEX AND AGE
Smith, James Wm.	Rowan	Mrs. Bessie Norman 131 Concord St.(372; Mr. Paul Donnelly Supt. Co. O.P.W. Drawer 17 Salisbury, N. C.	5)Polio (Paraplegia follow- ing pneumonia)	Male - 11
Hargrove, Alice	Sampson	Rt. 2 Newton Grove, N.C.	Polio	Female - 8
Alston, Betty	Walte	824 Cotton Place Raleigh, N. C.	Cerebral Palsy	Female - 11
Burnette, Mozelle	Wake	Route 2 Releigh, N. C.	Polio	Female - 11
Primus, Mattie	Wake	Route 1 Knightdale, N.C.	Polio	Female - 13
Sanders, Wm. Louis	Wake	1703 Pender Street Raleigh, N. C.	Tuberculosis of Hip, knee and foot	Male - 12
Bell, Betty Rose	Wilson	123 Ashe Street Wilson, N. C.	Congenital Deformity (I. Z. 62)	Female - 12
Richardson, Leroy	Wilson	Route 3, Box 279 Wilson, N. C.	Spastic Flat Feet	Male - 14

#### EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CRIPPLED CHILDREN

The 1958 Easter Seal Camp for Crippled Negro Children of North Carolina was held at J. W. Mitchell 4-H Camp. It was sponsored by the Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Dates for camping were July 28 to August 9, 1958.

The campers began to arrive on the camp site Sunday, July 8, 1958. Counselors for them were from Durham, Hamlet, Oxford and Chapel Hill, North Carolina, which were supplied by the Society. The counselors, very competant personnel, were Mrs. Elizabeth Henderson, Hamlet, N. C.; Mrs. Lula Black, Durham, N. C.; Mrs. Mable Ellis, Nurse, Wilson, N. C.; Mrs. Corzart, Chapel Hill, N. C.; and Mr. Porter Cureton, Oxford, N. C. The Counselors helped to increase the staff to 15 people to direct and concern themselves of the importance of the campers welfare. The regular staff at camp are as follows: James Davis, Jr., Lifeguard, George Hunter, Sr. Lifeguard; Edith D. Crowder, Recreation Director, Doris Jones, Craft Instructor; Mrs. Ada Williams, Dietitian; Johnnie Bryant, Second cook, Lois Lipscomb, Third Cook; Walter Armstrong, Maintenance Supt.; and J. W. Levister, Camp Director.

This marked the third year of camping for Crippled boys and girls of North Carolina sponsored by the Society. The Society did not present a formal program to be followed by the staff. However, after discussing the features and type of program to be carried out, the staff and counselors drew up a very interesting program to be followed. This proved to be very fitting for handicapped children. The program consisted of a variety of crafts such as

copper, electricity, cement, dolls with filter disc., popsicle sticks and earrings. It was also decided that some form of recreation was necessary and the following games were used: horse shoes, lead up games to soft ball, lead up games to volley ball, checkers, swimming, dancing and a variety of simple things to do to help the campers to learn to rely upon himself. This was handled in a way to help them reserve their strength and yet keep them occupied wholesomely.

Each day, in addition to all other activities there were other activities that were more inspirational such as morning assemblies, Vespers, and evening programs that gave the individual a chance to demonstrate his or her talents.

The general schedule for each day was as follows:

Rising Bell 7 a.m. Flag Raising 7:50 a.m. Breakfast Sa.m. Camp Duties 8:30 a.m. Assembly 9:45 a.m. Class Period 10 to 12 Noon Dinner 12:30 p.m. Rest 1 to 2:30 p.m. 2:45 to 3:15 p.m. Practice Program 3:15 to 3:35 p.m. Canteen Open Swimming 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. Organized Recreation 4:45 to 5:30 p.m. Flag Lowering 5:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Supper Evening Program 7 to 8:15 p.m. 8:45 to 9 p.m. Vespers Taps 9 p.m. Lights Out 9:30 p.m.

As in the past the campers put their money in the bank. Each one could spend a total of 11¢ a day at the canteen, this helped to control their spending.

The campers divided themselves into two groups - Sunshine and Busy Bees; by this method class work was carried out on group basis with each group having a captain to aid the counselors and staff to carry out the program that was planned for them.

Mrs. Mabel Ellis, camp nurse gave instructions in first aid;
leather craft was directed by Miss Doris Jones; electricity was
directed by J. W. Levister, recreation by Miss Edity Crowder,
cement by Mrs. Mabel Ellis, hobby dolls or filter disc by the
counselors, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Black and Mrs. Cozart; copper
by Mr. Walter Armstrong and Mr. Porter Cureton. All articles made
by the children became their property.

As in the past a boat was rented to take the campers over to the beach in order to give them experience in boating and allowing them to see the Atlantic Ocean.

The campers as well as the staff had a very nice time in all of the activities.

## COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

There were five staff members that did not have any experience working with handicapped children before coming to camp. However, they did an excellent job and found the children very interesting to work with.

This year there were no children that needed to use a wheel chair and only one that needed to be feed by a staff member or counselor. All others were very self sufficient, very energetic and seemed to grow stronger each day while camping. The children that wore braces would take them off every time that they could and were able to get along very well without them.

The children were benefitted greatly by their stay at camp and seemed to enjoy every moment of camping. The report that the counselors filled out about the progress of the campers will show that they are able to adjust themselves to new conditions and environments. They were very helpful, cooperative and friendly while dealing with others. There was very little evidence of bad temper, teasing and getting even with others in either group. Two of the campers' parents took them out of camp after the first week. They were Georgia Rosenboro and Charlene Stanley of Kinston.

There was a donation given of \$3.00 by interested people to help with the canteen expense. We found that a number of the children were not given money to have for such things. Some came from families of low income, and even with the donation there was canteen expenses unpaid.

I believe that the Easter Seal Camp for Crippled Negro
Children ended its third year as a successful one for all campers,
counselors and staff. We know also that the Easter Seal Camp
serves a great purpose and need. Many more handicapped children
should have the opportunity to experience this kind of camp life.

# CHILDREN ATTENDING EASTER SEAL CAMP -1958

NAME	COUNTY	ADDRESS	HANDICAP	SEX	AGE
Anderson, Ossie	Buncombe	25 Tuskegee St. Asheville, N.C.	Cerebral Palsy	1 M	24
Bell, Betty Rose	Wilson	119 Ashe St. Wilson, N. C.	Congenial Deformity	2 F	13
Boston, Patsy	Wilson	Rt. 4, Box 99 Wilson, N. C.	Polio	1 F	12
Cantrell, James	Mecklenburg	Route 1 Pineville, N. C.	Polio	2 M	16
Christian, Earnell	Guilford	514 Leonard St. High Point, N. C.	Polio	1 M	7
Clinkscales, George	Buncombe	$299\frac{1}{2}$ Ashland Ave. Asheville, N. C.	Polio	1 M	9
Daniels, James E.	Craven	Rt. 1, Box 304 Grifton, N. C.	Polio	1 M	13
Delmar, Hilton	Craven	Box 124 James City, N.C.	Polio	1 M	6
Edmond, Willie R.	New Hanover	27 F.Robert Taylor Wilmington, N. C.	Polio	1 M	12
Ettson, Marion	Durham	1307 Wiley Ave. Durham, N. C.	Amputation	2 M	16
Evans, Gertrude	Mecklenburg	2305 Booker St. Charlotte, N. C.	Polio	1 F	13
Farrington, Herman	Chatham	Route 3 Apex, N. C.	Congenital Deformity	2 M	13
Green, Evangeline	Lenoir	1103 Lincoln St. Kinston, N. C.	Lordosis Spine Deformity	1 F	13
Galloway Anthony	Rockingham	1023 N.Scales St. Reidsville, N.C.	Rheumatic Arthritic	1 M	11
Green, Steven	Buncombe	66 Brooklyn Ave. Asheville, N. C.	Cerebral Palsy	2 M	12
Harriston, Brodie	Davidson	Route 1 Linwood, N. C.	Amputation	1 M	15
H (rove, Alice	Sampson	Route 1, Box 114 Newton Grove, N.C.	Polio	3 F	9
Harry, Dorothy	Halifax	1901 Church Street Roanoke Rapids, N. C.	Polio Polio	2 F	8

NAME	COUNTY	ADDRESS	HANDICAP	SEX	AGE
c rell, Harvey	Halifax	Route 2 Scotland Neck, N.C.	Polio	1 M	15
Hudgens, Dian	Buncombe	51 Ora Street Asheville, N.C.	Cerebral Palsy	2 F	9
Lewis, Paul E.	Davidson	Route 3 Thomasville, N.C.	Polio	1 M	17
Miller, Barbara	Cabarrus	Route 1 Mt. Pleasant, N.C.9	Congenial Deformity	1 F.	7
Motz, Doris	Gaston	Gen. Del Cherryville, N.C.	Injury	1 F	13
Oglesby, John	Rowan	412 Broad St East Spencer, N.C.	Congenial Deformity	2 M	15
Richardson, Leroy	Wilson	Rt. 3, Box 279 Wilson, N. C.	Congenial Deformity	2 M	15
Roberts, Phyllis	Rockingham	Rt. 1, Box 139 Leaksville, N. C.	Polio	1 F	16
Roman, Dorothy	Davidson	432 Tussy St Lexington, N. C.	Polio	1 F	9
Rutherford, Estelle	Guilford	730 E. Washington St. Greensboro, N. C.	Polio	2 F	15
Shaw, Carroll	Cumberland	406 Vanstory St Fayetteville, N. C.	Amputation	2 F	14
Smith, James	Rowan c/	O Welfare Dept Rowan Draw 17, Salisbury	Polio	2 M	12
Standback, James	Cabarrus	Rt. 2, Box 296 Kannapolis, N. C.	Polio	1 M	9
Totten, Edward	Rockingham	Route 5, Box 190 Reidsville, N. C.	Injury	3 M	15
Walker, Veronics	Mecklenburg	1922 W. Trade St Charlotte, N. C.	Idiopathic Scoliosis	3 F.	12
Wheeler, Annie	Rockingham	513 Robinson St Reidsville, N. C.	Injury	3 F	13
Williams, Annie M	Lenoir	Route 5 Kinston, N. C.	Polio	1 F	9
R enboro, Georgia	Lenoir	705 Quinerly St. Kinston, N. C.	Polio	1 F	13
Stanley, Charlene	Lenoir	703 Quinerly St Kinston, N. C.	Congenial Deformity	1 5	8
Ellis, Mabel D.	Wilson	Nurse's Daughter		F	

# SUMMARY OF HANDICAPS

DISABILITY	BOYS	GIRLS
Cerebral Palsy	2	
Polio		8
	9	°
Idiopathic Scoliosis	0	
Amputations	2	
Congenital Deformity	3	4
Muscular Dystrophy	* ***	0
Lordosis	0	1
Injury	1	2
Normal, No Deformity	0	1
Rheumatic Arthitis	1 ,	0
Rickets	_0	_1
	19	20

EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR JULY 28 TO AUGUST 9, 1958

## EXPENSE ACCOUNT

## 1958 EASTER SEAL CAMP

## J. W. MITCHELL 4-H CAMP Swansboro, North Carolina

38 campers July 28 - August 1 @ \$20.00	\$ 760.00
36 campers August 2-9 @ \$20.00	720.00
	28.50
Boat trip to ocean	
Craft Materials	36.59
Film flash bulbs, pictures	9.28
Postal Cards	1.05
Travel for Craft Materials, to bus station for campers, to doctor - 270 miles @ 6¢	16.20
TOTAL	\$ 1,571.62

NOTE: Electrical Cord, cement, copper material and framing materials used in craft work were donated by the camp.

# EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CRIPPLED CHILDREN AUGUST 2-15, 1959



J. W. MITCHELL 4-H CAMP SWANSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

## EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CRIPPLED CHILDREN

### J. W. MITCHELL 4-H CAMP SWANSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

1959

The Fourth Consecutive Annual Easter Seal Camp for Negro crippled children in North Carolina was held August 2-15, 1959. The site of this year's program was the J. W. Mitchell 4-H Camp, Swansboro, North Carolina. The Easter Seal Camp was sponsored by the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults with headquarters in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

A total of 46 handicapped children participated in this program. They came from 17 different counties. They came from as far West as Burke, with Pitt, Lenoir and Cumberland forming the eastern boundary lines.

As in the past, the group of youngesters this year acted just like any group of normal kids and seemed to have forgotten that they had any handicaps. This was true with the exception of one or two whose mentality had been effected by an injury or disease. The getting together and participating in a group seems to have been extremely stimulating to each of the campers. The group of workers and counselors employed for the program seemed to have had deep concern for each individual camper and incircled each with love, affection and attention. This was most heart warming to the director and supervisor as they made their observations during the program.

The daily schedule of activities was kept as active as was felt feasible, allowing for plenty of rest and relaxation of less strenuous activity. Special effort was made this year not to overtax the energy of the campers, because of the camp being located in a county where the policy epidenic was at a pretty high level.

The program was made up of a variety of activities that went on from day to day. It included class work as well as recreation and other features. Classes included crafts, swimming, recreation and nature study. In addition to the craft materials furnished by the Society, the 4-H Camp supplied materials valued at 50¢ per child. Each day three hot meals were served and three rest period were given to the campers. The rising bell sounded at 7 a.m. and the program closed at 9 p.m. each day.

Recreation during the day included horse shoes, volley ball, soft ball, checkers, dancing, variety program, and other small games. They had general assemblies each morning and educational programs and vesper each night along with daily flag raising and flag lowering ceremonies. During the week they also enjoyed outdoor meals and hikes around the camp. Once per day the canteen was opened and the campers really did enjoy the times when they could make purchases. They were allowed to spend 11½ per day. Their money was put into a camp bank. For those campers who did not have any money, the camp advanced them credit and this was billed to the Easter Seal Society. In addition to the regular camp staff that was on

hand, the Society employed five counselors, three women and two young men. They were Mrs. Cozart, Miss Smith, Mrs. Fenneson, Mr. Vincent Spaulding and Mr. J. W. Levister, Jr. We did not employ a camp nurse this year as the director felt that it was not necessary based on past experiences.

Though rubber sheets were used some of the bed wetters had such heavy flow the urine ran off onto the mattresses because they were not completely covered. Some of the campers who were not supposed to be bed wetters did ruin some mattresses. When the counselors were out of the cabins at rest periods some of the bed wetters would get on beds where there were no rubber sheets and wet the mattresses.

The name of the campers and the counties from which they came are as follows:

County	Name
Burke	James Surratt
Cabarrus	Barbara Ann Miller Gilbert Scott Stanback, James
Catawba	Gail Flowers William Reinhort Terlene Smith
Craven	Loretha Smith Glenda Williams
Cumberland	John D. Bennett Carolyn Ann Shaw
Davidson	Horace Aughtry Timonthy Davis George Douglas Brodie Hairston

County

Name

Gaston

Charles Motz Doris Motz Margaret Williams

Guilford

Earnell Christain

Delores Cooke

Halifax

Cleveland Clark

Herman Sledge

Lenoir

Joyce Chapman Otto Davis

Richard Edwards William Spruill

Mecklenburg

Joseph Arnold Rosa Lee Pauley

Pitt

Lewis Hardison Felton Langley

Ervin Strong

Rockingham (Reidsville) Jacqueline Brown Richatta Coates Shirley Johnson Edward Totten Annie Wheeler

Rockingham (Tri-City)

Deloris Dillard Clarence Draughton

Sampson

Alice Hargrove Willie Lee Smith

Transylvania

Ulysses Clark Wynn

Wilson

Patsy Boston Patricia Ann Haskins

Harold Knight

Buncombe

George Clinkscales

Steve Greene

#### EASTER SEAL CAMP FOR NEGRO CRIPPLED CHILDREN

The Fifth Consecutive Annual Easter Seal Camp for Negro Crippled Children in North Carolina was held July 31 through August 13, 1960 at J. W. Mitchell 4-H Camp, Swansboro, North Carolina. The Easter Seal Camp was sponsored by the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults with headquarters in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

A total of 43 handicapped children enrolled in the two weeks camping program. During the first week, three of our campers withdrew because of the following reasons: Mildred Byrd and Eugene Hall of Union County left August 10, because of circumstances at home beyond our control. James A. Smith of Chatham County left August 12, due to illness.

On August 10, all the children were given a physical examination by Dr. Sherrill of Swansboro, North Carolina. At the time of examinations, all campers were physically fit for camping activities, however, on Friday, August 12, James A. Smith refused to eat his meals or participate in the day's activities. His inability to communicate made it difficult to determine his problem. These observations were reported to the Camp Director by his counselor around 3 p.m. The director and staff observed James for the rest of the afternoon. He also refused to eat the evening meal.

At this time, the director and staff felt it necessary to consult a physician. James was taken to Onslow County Hospital where he was examined and several tests were administered. It was suggested by hospital officials that he be taken to Chapel Hill Memorial Hospital. This was done and our camp director has checked with the hospital officials by telephone concerning James condition and found that he is still seriously ill.

The daily schedule of activities was kept as active as was felt feasible, allowing plenty of rest and relaxation of less strenuous activity. Special effort was made this year not to overtax the energy of the campers.

The program was made up of a variety of activities that went on from day to day. It included class work as well as recreation and other supervised features. Classes included crafts, swimming, and recreation. The rising bell sounded at 7 a.m. and the program closed at 9 p.m. each day. Each day three hot meals were served and was highly enjoyed by everyone.

Recreation during the day included horse shoes, volley ball, soft ball, checkers, dancing, fishing, crabing, and other small games. They had general assemblies each morning and a vesper program each night along with a daily flag raising and flag lowering ceremonies. During the two weeks, they also enjoyed outdoor meals and hikes around the camp. Once per day the canteen was opened and each camper was allowed to spend 11 cents per day. Their money was put into a camp bank. For those campers who did not have any

money, the camp advanced them credit and this was billed to the Easter Seal Society. Each camper was issued an Easter Seal tee shirt.

In addition to the regular camp staff that was on hand, the Society employed four counselors, two women and two men. They were Miss Cozart, Miss Smith, Mr. Reed, and Mr. Henry. We did not employ a camp nurse this year, but the camp director feels that one should be employed in the future. The group of workers and counselors employed for the program seemed to have had deep concern for each individual camper and incircled each with love, affection and attention.

The name of the campers and the counties from which they came are as follows:

County	Name
Cabarrus	Brenda Stinson Barbara Miller
Pitt	Louis Hardison Elbert Allen, Jr. Alvin B. Tyson
Duplin	Lillie B. Williams George A. Williams
Chatham	James A. Smith
Columbus	Melvin L. McDuffie
Craven	Leroy Carter Mickael L. White
Cumberland	Richard Powell Walter Trollinger
Davidson	Brodie Hairston
Forsyth	Mary K. Ratliff

County

Guilford Claude L. Griffin

Howard McMasters

Joan Tatum

Halifax Shirley Hunt

Andrew Cherry, Jr. Ernest Ricks Connie Powell Joyce J. Royster

Lenoir John Best

Bobby Davis Richard Edwards William Spruill

Mecklenburg James C. Davis

Walter T. Sims Rebecca Fox

Moore William E. Cole

New Hanover Jesse Simmons

Robeson John W. McLaughlin

Rowan James W. Smith

Surry William Dyson

Transylvania Ulysses C. Wynn

Union Mildred Byrd

Wake Eugene Hall

Darnall L. Wilkins

Wayne Deborah C. Gills

Wilson Patesy A. Boston

Warren Joe J. Lewis Lee Rainey

#### SUGGESTIONS:

 Funds to take care of campers necessities such as toilet articles, cleaning of clothes, etc.

- 2. The value of cleanliness should be stressed.
- 3. A physical examination before entering and after attending camp.
- 4. In extreme cases, campers should not be allowed to attend camp due to inadequate facilities.
- 5. Campers should not be admitted when taking any type of medicine unless all the necessary information is made known to the person in charge.
- 6. Each bedwetter should bring an ample supply of bed linen or employ a full time laundress during the Easter Seal session.