

July 5, 1943

Montgomery County News
by Mildred Smith

Ramer, Ala., July 4

High spot in the annual Montgomery County Girls' 4-H Camp at Grandview last week was the presentation to Tommye Jean Sellers of a \$5 war savings stamp as an award in a letter writing contest sponsored by the educational bureau of Chilean Nitrate Corporation. Tommye Jean, the president of Pintlala 4-H Club, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Sellers, Mt. Carmel community, a sister of Mary Flynn Sellers, Pilgreen, who won the national 4-H health championship while a pupil at Montgomery County High School, and also a sister of Lieut. Ronald Sellers, Jr. of the U. S. Air Corps, who won a number of student honors while attending the county high school.

The war stamp was awarded on stunt night at camp, and came as a surprise to the winner, who did not know her letter had been chosen for publication in the sponsoring company's monthly magazine. "Farm For Victory," nor did she know that she was the only winner from the State of Alabama.

The text of her winning letter was: "Someone has said 'Good is ammunition' – ammunition that our soldiers at the front, our boys in training camps, and our war workers must have. 'We're all in the Army now.' So that puts farmers in an important position – ammunition manufacturers.

"Farmers must produce more food crops such as peas, beans, potatoes, peanuts, soy beans, wheat, corn – everything to nourish our bodies. They must see that smokehouses are well stocked with meat, and have some nice fat hogs and calves for the market.

"To do this they must have help, and with labor running short that leaves us, the children of America, with a big job. That job is helping the farmer and being farmers. That is what we 4-H'ers plan to do.

"We can raise hogs, calves, poultry: and we can plant Victory Gardens. Not just plant but work them; and can, and dry all surplus fruits and vegetables. We can save seed for next year – save enough for ourselves and our neighbors. A bag of seed might be just as important as a bag of bullets.

"Every true American has his part in this war, and we 4-H'ers pledge to do all we can on the farm to help win – and win we will!"

The girls' 4-H camp was well attended this year, having 76 on roll in addition to the following staff: Miss Laura Johnston, manager; Miss Lillie McInnis and Miss Norma Ray Autry, counsellors; Miss Sunshine Mathews, swimming instructor; and Mrs. B. J. Lewis, trained nurse.

Girls attended were: Betty Brown, Ruth Miller, Priscilla Spaulding, Dot Davis, Jane Hannon, Mary Alice McInnis, Carolyn Wright, Sara Leek, Mary Elizabeth Kirk, Tim Hancock, Margaret Belser, Becky Felder, Judy Sullivan, Edna Walls, Laura Cronin, Emily Sullivan, Joan Gillespie, Marietta Bolling, Harriett Butler, Emily Newberry, Betty Black, Mary Marshall Green, Mary Jane Hearn, Jean Huffman, Bobbett Butler.

Also Rae Venable, Bettie Poole, Rebecca Hatfield, Carrie Sansom, Myrtle Alice Butler, Shirley Mae Lynch, Margaret Johnson, Mary Pratt Wadsworth, Margaret "Babe" Sullivan, Della V. Smith, Doris Jonier, Betty

Metcalf, Kathering Shelburne, June Anderson, Helen Robertson, Catherine Jenkins, Mae Hall, Carolyn Goodwyn, Jule Hawthorne, Kate green, Rosemary Theresa Lynch.

Also Wilma Nell Pittman, Dorothy Jean Lopez, Rosa Clyde Menefee, Beverley June Davis, Tommye Jean Sellers, Sammie McGueen, Nell Kirksey, Sarah Howard, Lela Mosley, Janett Moore, Doris Menefee, Dorothy Jo Ingle, Nancy Walls, Betty Boan, Nell Hannon, Virginia Gardner, Ethel Ruth Gillespie, Mary Ann Langley, Agnes Hall, Betty Joyce Macon, Dora Frances Metcalf, Merrilyn Wadsworth, Edna Warner, Betty Jean Bolling, Laura Frances Sullivan, Mary Lieser Milligan, Gail Noland, Helen Ruth Mears, Betty Jean Rogers and Voncile Pettus.

Mutterings of a county correspondent. If long hair would give one the strength of Samson, I'd let mine grow out . . . A kind of hair-power, so to speak . . . Strength from any source would come in handy, when one's knees stay wobbly after an illness . . . Cindy Lester, a redhead, is the new district home agent . . . She used to be agent in Autauga County, was agent in Hale at the time of her new appointment. . . . The daily rains convince farmers that their occupation is not only as big a gamble as roulette but twice as fast . . . People of vision are looking beyond the present conflict to the peace that lies ahead . . . Meanwhile, the faithful in heart are giving every ounce of energy and courage to secure the victory that will bring peace.

For all the visits, the thoughtful messages and letters and gifts during an enforced vacation, a million thanks . . . Fred Fannin, the country boy from Shady Grove who now owns the most exclusive men's store in Montgomery, is "Fred" to everybody who knows him . . . He has a son, Fred, Jr., in the store, another son, Curtis, in the Army at Clovis, N. M. . . . County Agent Lem Edmonson says now is the time to be planting beans, beets, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, collards, kale, lettuce, multiplier onions, radish, spinach and turnips, Irish potatoes, tomatoes and rutabagas for Fall gardens . . . It would be ammunition in hand for farmers to study insect control . . . There are more insects and more different kinds than most of us ever saw before.

Childhood memories can be most vivid . . . It seems like yesterday that at the age of 10, I was visiting Montgomery, and on the street one day all dressed up in blue organdy and blue hair ribbons, when a strange man passing, smiled and said, "Hell, Bluebird." . . . Frightened, I couldn't even reply . . . Residents of Ramer, Sellers and Pinedale should remember the library service available to them . . . Ramer's library is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 4 until 6 p.m. . . . Sellers library is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays from 1 until 5 p.m. . . . Pinedale library is open each Wednesday from 2 until 6 p.m. and on Sundays during the Sunday School hour . . . Dewitt Keener, of Grady, working in an aircraft factory in California, has invented a labor-saving device now in use by the corporation . . . It is said to save many man-hours daily . . . He is now at work perfecting a second labor-saving gadget . . . Snowdown's Red Cross sewing room is open every Thursday.

What's happening in the county this week:

LaPine Methodist W. S. C. S. will meet Monday at the regular hour.

Ramer Methodist W. S. C. S. will meet Tuesday at the church parlor at the regular hour.

Grady Round Table Club will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. J. C. Gregory and Mrs. J. L. Tucker as

hostesses and Mrs. Lucien Anderson and Mrs. E. F. Wingard in charge of a program on Independence Day.

Typhoid inoculations will be given at Dublin Thursday at 10 a.m.

The annual Warner family reunion will be held on the lawn of LaPine Methodist Church next Sunday, beginning at 11 a.m.

The annual Methodist revival meeting will begin at Orion July 25 with the Rev. O. C. Lloyd, of Clanton, assisting his son, Griffin Lloyd, pastor. Attention is called to the change in date.

A leadership school in preparation and serving of dehydrated foods will be given July 13 at Alabama Power Company kitchen, Montgomery, for home demonstration club leaders of the county. Mrs. Mildred Simon Van demark will be in charge.

All clubs of the county will join in a rally at Oak Park on July 15.

July 12, 1943

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Ramer, Ala., July 11

Considerable legislation passed by the Alabama Legislature during the 1942 session ending a week ago is of more than passing interest to rural and farm people. Montgomery County Council of Home Clubs members have especial interest in the passage of Senate Bills 56 and 57, providing respectively for the enrichment of bread, flour, de-germinated or bolted corn meal and grits, by the addition by manufacturers of certain vitamins and minerals lost in the milling process, and the addition of certain vitamins to oleomargarine for making it a better food. The council, with its membership of more than 500 women, endorsed both bills and asked for support of legislators in passing them through the House.

Incidentally, corn meal ground at grist mills is not affected by the first bill, for none of its properties have been lost in grinding. Nutrition experts believe the addition of vitamins to meal, flour and grits, and to oleomargarine will improve greatly the diet of Alabama people.

Another bill of particular interest to rural people concerns the State seed law, and will regulate the labeling, sale and distribution of agricultural, vegetable, flower and herb seeds by seedmen.

A "farm-to-market" road bill, providing for State and county cooperation in the construction of farm to market or county roads, has enormous possibilities for road improvement in the future, though little benefit from it is expected for the duration of the war. Some day it may be the means of paving some of the county's present dirt roads that are bee lines to the city, such as the Mt. Zion-Woodley Road from Dublin to Montgomery and the Hill's Chapel - Mt. Zion-Woodley Road from Smilietown to Montgomery,

Bills providing for the commercial production of fish on farms and appropriations for improving the marketing program of Alabama farm products, for furthering the educational program in farm marketing, for additional research in marketing problems and for continuing the program of control of Bangs disease among Alabama cattle are eyed with approval by rural people. Bills passed providing appropriations for agricultural research also interest farming people. One of these provides for a new experiment station in the Piedmont area and another provides for establishment of a similar station in the northwestern part of the State, known as the upper coastal plains area. The regular appropriation for agricultural research work was increased 20 per cent and an additional appropriation of 497,900 was passed to expand research work of the Alabama agricultural experiment station system.

Judging by the number of farmers who came to Montgomery from all over the State when the Bradford labor bill to regulate the activities and affairs of labor organizations was being debated by the Legislature, rural people have been interest in the passage of this bill, too.

Another bill exempting feedstuffs and baby chicks from the two per cent sales tax would have meant many dollars in the pockets of rural people had it become law. Passed by the Senate, it failed to get a vote in the House.

A revival meeting is being held this week at Pine Level Methodist Church with the Rev. H. P. Childs, of Andalusia, as guest pastor. The Rev. Griffin Lloyd is pastor.

What's happening in the county this week:

Ramer Baptist W. M. S. will hold its regular meeting Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. J. M. Grant and Mrs. C. P. Cosby as hostesses and Mrs. R. R. Underwood as leader.

Pine Level Methodist W. S. C. S. will meet Tuesday at 3 p.m. at the church.

A leadership school for county home demonstration club leaders will be held by Mrs. Mildred Simon Van de Mark Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Alabama Power Company kitchen in Montgomery.

The annual rally of Montgomery County Council of Home Clubs will be held Thursday at Oak Park with Pinedale Civic Club has hostess. Mrs. James McInnis, program chairman, will announce the day's events.

Mrs. W. W. Marvin county correspondent: People who can earn their living with their hands can demand their own working contracts these days . . . Those who live by mental toil can only make a great deal of noise and hope it will be heard somewhere . . . The McNeill reunion, always held at the old homestead on the third Sunday in July, will be streamlined this year . . . Members of the family association are being told: "If you feel that you want to come home that day just bring your lunch and come on. We shall be mighty glad to see you." . . . Jim Felton, of Ramer, will not pass this way again, but his spirit of kindness and unselfishness remains . . . Public gatherings are excellent studies in psychology . . . The attitude of too many people, when their pockets are full of money, is to live for the day . . . The new withholding tax will put the burden where it belongs . . . July 4th saw fewer family reunions than usual . . . It takes plenty of physical endurance to travel these days . . . Tales of standing on the train all the way from Nashville or Atlanta to Montgomery with people packed around like sardines are the usual, not the unusual any more.

A release from Washington says the six-week period from Sept. 15 through Oct. 31 has been designated as the time during which all Christmas mail shall be posted for the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel on overseas duty. Arrangements have been made with the postoffice department for special handling of Christmas letters and packages mailed during this period to get them to men overseas before the holidays.

Under postal regulations, Christmas parcels shall not exceed five pounds in weight, or 15 inches in length or 36 inches in length and girth combined. Not more than one parcel will be accepted in any one week from the same sender for the same addressee.

All articles should be packed in metal, wood, or solid fiber board, or strong, double-faced corrugated fiber board, or strong, fully telescoping card board boxes. Fiber board or card board boxes must be securely wrapped in strong paper and tied with twine. In addition, senders are cautioned that delays caused by the necessity for censorship will be minimized if the wrapping is secured so as to permit easy inspection of articles.

Parcels should not include any weapons, perishables, intoxicants, poisons, or inflammable articles such as matches or lighter fluids. In general, the public is urged not to send food or clothing. Men overseas are amply provided with both, so shipping space for gifts should be used for other purposes. Mail may be insured or registered by the sender.

July 19, 1943

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Ramer, Ala., July 18

Mutterings of a county correspondent: Miss Louise Kelly, faculty members of Montgomery County High School, is teaching mathematics to soldiers at the University of Alabama this Summer . . . Don't count her off at Ramer for she'll be back in September to take her regular place . . . The war of 1917-18 was a mild tempest in a teapot compared to this one . . . Capt. William Walter Sellers writes home that he may be able to eat birthday dinner July 26 with his family in Sellers . . . He has been in North Africa for about a year . . . Mrs. Aylor Townsend of Troy is making her annual visit to Ramer . . . She spends every July with her daughter, Mrs. S. U. Turnipseed . . . For 86, she's the spryest person I know . . . Montgomery County's 4-H girls are spending much of the vacation making "hunger-shattering bombs" . . . The "bombs" are canned fruits and vegetables, meats and soups which are rapidly filling home pantry shelves.

Opal Gillespie, Pike Road girl now in the SPARS, has the rank of yeoman . . . Yeoman Gillespie says the most valuable thing she has learned in military training is being always on time . . . At present she is stationed in Kansas City, Kan., and is assisting in procuring WAVES and SPARS applicants . . . July 29-31 has been set for the second annual Montgomery County club woman's camp at Camp Grandview . . .

Erlene Paulk is at home for her position in Washington for a vacation visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Paulk in Chesser community . . . Mrs. T. S. Skipper has been assistant to the postmaster at Grady for so long no one remembers when she started . . . Her father was a postmaster; her sister, Mrs. Alice Bell, was postmaster for a long period at Grady and is now postmaster at the Veterans Hospital; her brother, G. L. Harris, was a rural mail carrier for more than 30 years . . . Years ago, she herself was authorized as a substitute rural mail carrier . . . She was even born in the postoffice, her father using a room in his home near Grady for the postoffice when he was postmaster . . . She is still seen at the Grady postoffice window when Mrs. Sallie Athey, postmistress is absent.

A success story built largely on personality is that of L. C. Henley. Ramer boy who went to Montgomery and became a home furnishings merchant . . . Mrs. H. F. Sheldon (Louise McNeill) and her 5-month-old son are residing in Pine Level with her mother while her husband is in the service . . . The baby is as cute as they come . . . There's another grandbaby in the McNeill family, too . . . Lieut. Henry McNeill, a pilot in the Air Corps, and his wife, the former Margaret Barnett, have a 5-month-old granddaughter . . . They are living in Tullahoma, Tenn., where he is stationed at the flying field . . . The baby is named Margaret Barnett McNeill . . . Another McNeill son, J. T., is in the Air Corps at Camp Crowder, Mo. . . . Richard, the baby boy of the family, will be inducted this month . . . The fourth son, Jesse, tried to enlist more than once, but was turned down because of defective hearing . . . John Stewart Webster, of Birmingham, son of John Webster who was reared in LaPine, and the late Vivian Smith Webster, a Ramer girl, has reported to Maxwell Field for training in the pre-flight school for pilots . . . George Shellman of Cecil, was transferred from Key Field., Miss., to Congaree Field at Columbia, S. C. . . . Rex English and Jack Bell, two Ramer youths inducted recently are at home awaiting call to active duty . . .

Staff Sergt. William D. Frazer is back in the United States after 18 months in the South Pacific war area . . . At present he is in Kennedy General Hospital in Memphis . . . Sergt. Frazer is the son of Mrs. Susie Frazer, of Montgomery, the brother of Mrs. Monis Dees, of Mt. Meigs, and a nephew of Allen F. Frazer, of Smilietown . . . Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawson, of Cecil, sent their third son to war recently . . . Weston Myrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Myrick, of Chesser community, was wounded in combat in the southwest Pacific July 1 . . . His wounds were said to be slight and his improvement normal, according to a dispatch from the War Department . . .

What's happening in the county this week:

A Baptist Training Union course in Pilgrim's Progress will begin Monday at 8 p.m. at Mt. Zion Baptist Church with Miss Erlene Paulk of Alexandria, La., formerly of Chesser community, as teacher.

Chisholm 4-H Club will hold a picnic Monday at the school.

Pine Level Baptist W. M. S. will meet Tuesday at the regular hour.

Catoma 4-H Club will hold a picnic Tuesday at the school.

Cemetery working will be held at Ebenezer Thursday. All interested are requested to come or to send labor or monetary donations.

Cloverdale 4-H Club will hold a picnic Thursday at Oak Park.

Pike Road 4-H Club will hold a picnic Friday at the school.

Annual homecoming will be observed at Grady Church of Christ Sunday with Minister W. T. Grider of Andalusia delivering the homecoming sermon, and remaining for the following week to conduct the revival meeting.

Annual homecoming will be observed Sunday at Mt. Zion Baptist Church with Dr. L. E. Barton as guest pastor and remaining for the following week to conduct a revival meeting. The Rev. W. M. Holland is pastor.

Revival services will begin Sunday at Orion Methodist Church with the Rev. O. C. Lloyd of Clanton, as guest pastor. The Rev. Griffin Lloyd is pastor.

Revival services will begin Sunday at Pine Level Baptist Church with Dr. Guy Marlowe of Inglenook Baptist Church, Birmingham, as guest pastor. The Rev. A. B. Canant is pastor.

Revival services are being held this week at Ramer Baptist Church with Dr. Guy Marlowe of Birmingham, assisting the Rev. A. B. Canant, pastor. Services are daily at 11 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. The public is invited.

Protracted meeting will begin at Friendship Baptist Church near Grady, August 15, and will continue through the following week.

July 26, 1943

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Ramer, Ala., July 25 – The Montgomery County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs is now ready to accept applications for the Mamie C. Thorington college scholarships and for the business scholarship given annually to Montgomery County boys and girls. Two college scholarships are available to junior and senior boys or girls who can show that they would otherwise be unable to attend college. Each is a loan of \$250. The business scholarship loan is \$100 and is available to boys and girls who have completed high school, or who have the necessary background for a successful business education.

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Young men and women interested in these scholarships should make application to Mrs. James McInnis, RFD 4, Montgomery council scholarship chairman, who will send them the proper application blanks to be filled out. A health certificate, a transcript of high school scholarship record, a recommendation from the high school principal, and character references will be necessary.

The Montgomery County Council has reason to be proud of the youth it has helped through scholarship loans so far. First scholarship was awarded Minouise Thompson, of Smilietown community, now Mrs. James S. White. A graduate of Birmingham-Southern, she had a year of post-graduate work at Norwood Hospital in Birmingham, took the State Board examination for laboratory technician, and subsequently worked at T. C. I. Hospital in Fairfield, and on the staff of the surgeon-general at Fort Benning, Ga. While there she married Mr. White, now in the military service, and while he is absent, she and their infant daughter are with her mother, Mrs. T. C. Thompson, in Smilietown.

Laura Athey, another scholarship girl, was graduated from the University of Alabama, passed the civil service examinations and worked in Knoxville with TVA until some months ago when she was transferred to New Orleans where she is with the internal revenue department. Miss Athey is the daughter of Hub Athey of Ramer.

Beatrice Hicks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hicks, of Dublin, had the scholarship for the next two years. She was graduated from Alabama Polytechnic Institute and served as assistant home supervisor for the Farm Security Administration until that organization curtailed its staff last year. She is now working with the Alabama Extension Service as a canning demonstrator in Jefferson County.

First boy to hold the college scholarship was Robert Payne, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Payne of Dublin. He was graduated from Alabama Polytechnic Institute in agricultural education and was employed by the Federal Land Bank of New Orleans with headquarters in Alabama until this year when he resigned to operate his own dairy business at Pike Road.

Mary Emma Rushing, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Felton, of Ramer, also had a scholarship in the same year as Robert Payne. She attended the University of Alabama, but lacking one semester of graduation, took a business course and is now an instructor in the Embry-Riddle airplane plant in Miami, Fla. teaching airplane engines to United Nations soldier. At present, the class is Portuguese.

Carolyn Hancock, of Grady, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hancock and Mildred Brown Davis, of Pike Road, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sellers Davis, held the college scholarships last year. Miss Hancock was a junior and made an outstanding record in public speaking, winning in the Southern and the Grand Eastern tournaments. At present, she is working at the Montgomery Holding and Reconsignment Point as a civil service employee. Miss Davis, who was graduated in home economics administration from Alabama Polytechnic Institute in May, held an enviable record in student honors and was president of the women's student government during her senior year, among other outstanding honors. At graduation, she was appointed assistant home agent in Baldwin County.

Ruth Amason, first to hold a business scholarship from the council, is now employed in the State

Department of Health. She is the daughter of Mrs. John Amason of Chesser community. Her sister, Mary Frances Amason, is now attending business college on the council scholarship.

What's happening in the county this week:

Revival services are being held this week at Mt. Zion Baptist Church with Dr. L. E. Barton guest pastor, and the Rev. W. M. Holland, pastor, assisting.

Revival services are also being held this week at Pine Level Baptist Church with Dr. Guy Marlowe, of Birmingham, guest pastor, and the Rev. A. B. Canant, pastor, assisting Mallory Chandler of Grady, is in charge of the music.

Revival services are likewise being held at the Church of Christ at Grady with services daily by Minister W. T. Grider, of Andalusia.

Community public libraries continue to operate at Sellers, Ramer, Pinedale and Pine Level. The Sellers library is open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1 until 5 p.m. with Mrs. John D. Boyd and Mrs. J. D. Gann in charge. The Pine Level library is open daily during business hours at Pugh's filling station, where attendants serve as volunteer librarians. Pinedale library, located in Pinedale Chapel is open every Wednesday from 2 until 6 p.m. and on Sundays during the Sunday School period. Club members are in charge as volunteer librarians. Ramer library is also operated by volunteers from Ramer Civic Club and is open on days and hours announced in the library window.

The annual women's camp for Montgomery County rural club women will be held at Camp Grandview from Thursday afternoon until Saturday morning.

Annual cemetery working will be held at Hill's Chapel Friday and all interested are requested to assist with the work or send labor.

Quarterly conference will be held at Orion Methodist Church Friday at 7:30 p.m. for churches of Ramer-Pine Level Methodist charge.

Revival services will begin on Sunday at Hill's Chapel with the Rev. Andrew Turnipseed, of Greenville, as guest pastor, and the Rev. Griffin Lloyd, pastor, assisting.

Annual cemetery working will be held at Elizabeth Cemetery Aug. 4.

Mutterings of a county correspondent: Addie Ruth Berry, of Smilietown community, and Erlene Paulk, of Chesser community, are among the past year's recruits of county boys and girls in Washington . . . Ella Jones Spicer, of Ramer, went to Washington with the civil service when the call went out for help during "soldiers bonus" days . . . Jeff Harris, of Ramer, went before that . . . Mary Clare and Frankie Jones of Catoma community went during the first World War and stayed . . . Richard Amason, of Chesser, has landed safely in England with the U. S. Armed forces . . . Reunions are well attended in spite of gas rationing . . . Some save up gas for weeks ahead to make the trip "back home" placing that urge second only to that of patriotism . . . Dried fruits and vegetables go back to primitive peoples . . . The war is making them take front line importance again . . . They are high in nutritive value and tasty as well when properly cooked . . . Improvement of rayon stockings will be a big field for textile chemists . . . It isn't uncommon to see a woman stop on the street to straighten a rayon stocking twisted round and round the leg . . . They won't stay put when one is walking . . . Annie Laurie Sims, formerly of China Grove and Troy is with the army in Fort Devens, Mass. She belongs to a fighting family, having six nephews in the service. They are Sergt. Glydon Jones, Jr., Pfc. Hosea Sellers, Jr., Lieut. Thomas R. Head, Pfc. James

Dismuke Head and Serft. Edmond Sims Campbell . . . What could be better eating than lace-edged corn hoecakes?

August 2, 1943

Montgomery County News
by Mildred Smith

Ramer, Ala., Aug. 1

Reports of a successful camping trip at Camp Grandview last week were brought back by the 22 rural club women of Montgomery County in attendance at the annual women's three-day camp, sponsored by the County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs. Taking the place of a vacation trip for most of the campers it was a period of relaxation and fun. Swimming, stunts, a who's who contest, skits, etc., were entertainment, and not the least of the enjoyment was good meals prepared by Miss Mamie Scheussler, camp dietitian. Miss Ann Mc McKee served as camp director, and Miss Norma Ray Autrey, assistant home agent, was in charge of the Montgomery County group.

Results of the who's who contests were: Mrs. Agnes Fry, LeGrand Club, best camper; Mrs. A. B. Davidson, of Huntingdon College, guest of Mrs. E. P. Young, of Stones Club, best sport; Mrs. Cecil Eagerton, Pinedale Club, most charming; Mrs. E. E. Price, Pinedale Club, best swimmer; Mrs. Agnes Fry, LeGrand Club, biggest eater; Mrs. James Stoner, Pinedale Club, sweetest; Mrs. James McLean, Jr., Snowdoun Club, cutest; Mrs. V. E. Gerald, Pike Road Club, best loafer; Mrs. A. B. Davidson, most talented; Mrs. J. D. Baggett, Stones Club, best figure; Mrs. Elizabeth Ivey, canning demonstrator, smartest; Mrs. Olivia Bell, secretary to the home agent, most popular.

In addition to these, personnel of the camp included: Miss Elizabeth Jones, Mrs. Sam Kelly, Mrs. Wilson Bailey, of Pinedale Club; Mrs. Donald Hall, Mrs. R. W. Erke, Mrs. J. C. Curry, Snowdoun Woman's Club; Mrs. Raymond Lightfoot, Pike Road Club; Mrs. J. O. Grant, Mrs. C. H. Warner, Mrs. E. P. Young, Miss Lucile Strickland, Stones Club; Mrs. J. A. Brown, Westview Gardens Club.

The group returned Saturday morning.

Revival services are being held this week at Hill's Chapel near Dublin, with the Rev. Andrew Turnipseed, of Greenville, as guest pastor, Mallory Chandler, of Grady, in charge of the singing, and the Rev. Griffin Lloyd, pastor, assisting.

Revival services are being held this week at Orion Baptist Church with the Rev. A. K. Whaley, of Troy, preaching daily at 8 p.m. The meeting will be concluded Friday night.

Annual cemetery working will be held at Dublin on Aug. 10 and at Pisgah on Aug. 11. Annual communion will be held at Pisgah in a two-day meeting, Aug. 21-22.

Montgomery County Vignette: A former Montgomery County school boy identified with all campus activities and particularly with the Future Farmers Chapter was called into the regular army in November, 1940, when the National Guard at Ramer, of which he was a member, was ordered to Camp Blanking, Fla. Still with the 106th Quartermaster Corps, to which the Ramer National Guard unit belonged, when war was declared, he was sent in turn to Charleston, A. C., Camp Bowie, Texas,

Leesville, Va. And Camp Selby, Miss. In May, 1943 he transferred to Army Air Corps. Due to his mother's illness, he was at home on furlough May 1, and on his return he reported to Keesler Field, Miss., to begin training in the Air Corps. After five months of college training and other required work, he expects to get his wings. A graduate of the county high school in the class of 1938, he is Aviation Cadet James T. Ellison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ellison, of Ramer.

What's happening in the county this week:

A picnic will be held Monday at Pintlala School for 4-H boys and girls of that community. Club members are asked to gather at 10 a.m.

LaPine Methodist W.S.C.S. will meet Monday at the regular hour.

The W.S.C.S. of Ramer Methodist Church will meet Tuesday at the regular hour at the church parlor.

Annual cemetery working will be held Wednesday at Sentell Cemetery on the Ramer-Grady highway.

A picnic for 4-H club boys and girls of Pine Level community will be held Wednesday at Pine Level school, beginning at 10 a.m.

Annual cemetery working will be held Wednesday at Elizabeth Cemetery near Mt. Lebanon.

A picnic for 4-H club boys and girls of Ramer community will be held Friday at the school, beginning at 10 a.m.

Annual revival services will begin Sunday at the Church of Christ at Ramer with Minister Fitzhugh Ellington, of Andalusia in charge of services twice daily at 3:30 p.m. and 8:30 a.m. the meeting to last through Aug. 18.

The annual revival meeting at Providence Presbyterian Church in LeGrand community will begin Sunday and continue through the following Friday with services daily at 11 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. The Rev. C. H. Webster, of LaPine, pastor, will be assisted by the Rev. Mr. Sessions, of Eufaula.

Important lessons in driving school buses are being learned this week by 12 Montgomery County rural school principals and mechanics at the instructors' school being held at Cloverdale school under auspices of the State and national departments of education, the University's vocational education department, and the American Automobile association, with the county board of education cooperating. Principals P. H. Harris, Ramer; E. C. McNees, Pike Road; J. L. Price, Pine Level; D. L. Taylor, Cloverdale; T. C. Carlton, Capitol Heights; L. R. Scarborough, Pintlala, and James F. Kirk, Catoma. E. W. Collier, head mechanic of the county school garage at Ramer, and W. L. Neal, Cecil Barnes and L. M. Claxton, mechanic at Cloverdale, Pine Level and Capitol Heights junior high schools, are being trained intensively, along with principals and mechanics from other county school systems, in all the fine points of bus driving that will make the transportation of school children more safe. When the school is completed, they in turn will be responsible for training new bus drivers taken on at their respective schools, and it is indicated that a number of new ones will of necessity be employed this school term. According to Asst. Superintendent W. L. McKee, more and more school boys are having to take the place of men drafted or leaving for other employment. If the emergency grows worse, it may be necessary to employ women drivers, as some other counties have done.

The responsibility of a school bus driver is heavy, and he needs to be, not an average driver, but one far more skilled. It is understood that this school has for one of its major purposes teaching responsibilities of bus drivers to the school superintendent, pupils, mechanics and to the public. Those attending will become familiar with ODT regulations, will study the mechanical operation of a car in view of making it

last longer will learn how to inspect buses, how to drive up and down hill and on muddy roads, as well as on good and level roads. In fact, high school boys anticipating driving buses this year are going to have passed on to them just about the stiffest lesson in physics they could get this side of college.

August 9, 1943

Montgomery County News
by Mildred Smith

Ramer, Ala., Aug. 8

Members of Pintlala Girls 4-H Club have gone all-out for victory by growing gardens and canning all surplus food, Tommye Jean Sellers, club president, reports. A good example of this, she points out, is the work done by Loene Hall, of Mt. Carmel community.

Last year Loene helped her mother can all surplus vegetables in the family garden and, because of her other's ill health, had to assume the responsibility most of the time. Not satisfied to do just this, she began to can for her neighbors on the percentage basis.

This work was just a beginning for the good work she has been doing this year. In addition to the family garden she planted a victory garden of her own and from the two gardens she has already canned 300 quarts of vegetables, in addition to 60 canned by her mother. In the early Spring, she canned 19 quarts of meats for a neighbor, and she frequently helps a neighbor can or does the work herself. To date she has canned about 100 quarts for neighbors and has arranged to can about 150 more. She also expects to put up around 300 quarts more for home use.

Loene says the chief reason why she has become so interested in canning is that when she becomes a member of the 4-H Club, she chose gardening for her project, and this taught her so much about foods and the necessity for saving food that she thought this was her best way of contributing to victory.

If every dairy cow in Montgomery County would produce an extra glass of milk each day, the total increase at the end of the year would be enormous, County Farm Agent Lem A. Edmonson says. Pointing out that this stepped-up production is more necessary now than ever before, he tells how it can be accomplished. Better feeding and management are the secret.

First, plenty of good, clean fresh water is important. Dairy cows will drink from 100 to 150 pounds of water on hot days such as we have had the past week and if they do not get plenty of water, the milk production is sure to fall off.

The second requisite is shade, which should be near the water supply. Third, flies may cause a decrease in milk during Summer months and every effort should be made to control them.

Summer grass is much lower in feeding value than Spring grass, being deficient particularly in protein. Because of this, the fourth requisite is to have other grazing patches of peas, lespedeza, kudzu, or sudan grass and to alternate by turning the cows on these.

Revival services are being held this week at the Ramer Church of Christ by Minister F. H. Ellington of Andalusia, with Ray Dillard assisting as songleader. Services will be held daily at 3:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., through Aug. 18.

Revival services are also being held this week at Providence Presbyterian Church at LeGrand by the Rev.

Mr. Sessions, of Eufaula, assisted by the pastor, the Rev. C. H. Webster, of LaPine. Services are daily at 11 a.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Preaching services are held on the fourth Sunday of each month at Fairview Methodist Church on the old Selma Road by Dr. A. B. Davidson, of Huntingdon College, with sermons at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Missing from the office of Mrs. Mamie C. Thorington since the first of the month, Mrs. Olivia Bell, secretary to the home agent for 12 years, has moved to the downstairs office of the tax assessor, where she is employed as a clerk. During the period of her secretaryship, Mrs. Bell came in contact with all the rural women and girls and many of the men and boys as they called at the home agent's office for information, for meetings and conferences. Perhaps, next to the home demonstration work in Montgomery County than any other person and to the rural people she had become an integral part of it. Her popularity with the county people grew from year to year and it is no surprise that on the women's camp in July she was voted the most popular one there. While all wish her well in her new position and are glad that she is still in the courthouse where they may see her as usual, on their visits to Montgomery, nevertheless they will miss her in her accustomed role of friendly receptionist, bureau of information and purveyor of the million and one little things that go to make women's and girls' club work a success.

Mutterings of a county correspondent: Stones Civic Club will hold its annual picnic this month at the president's home . . . The date hasn't been decided yet . . . Pike Road Civic Club will have its annual social meeting this month too . . . It will be a spend-the-day party on Aug. 17 at the home of Mrs. Raymond Lightfoot . . . It's encouraging to see community library service carried on over the county by volunteer librarians . . . The volunteers are generally members of local civic clubs . . . Latest to announce library service is Pike Road, with opening hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 till 5:30 p.m. . . . Library service has been available all Summer at Ramer, Pinedale and Sellers . . . Regular exchange of books from the Carnegie Library in Montgomery assures good choice of reading matter.

Parents of boys and girls in service, take note: Christmas parcels may be insured or registered overseas only to members of the Navy, Coast Guard and Marines . . . Dates for mailing Christmas packages are Sept. 15 till Oct. 15 for your warrior in the Army, or till Nov. 1 for your Navy, Coast Guard or Marine fighter . . . OPA has amended its order on home canned products to permit a family to give away up to 50 quarts of canned foods for each member of the family to another person or persons without collecting ration points . . . If the home canned products are sold eight ration points must be collected for every quart . . . Eight points must be collected for each quart given away in excess of the 50 quarts permitted to be given away ration free by each member of a family . . . Few families will have enough to give away so much . . . P. H. Harris of Ramer will represent Ramer-Pine Level charge at the Alabama Methodist Conference in Mobile . . . The conference date continues to be moved forward yearly . . . This time it is on Nov. 3 . . . A. C. Felton will continue for another year as Methodist Sunday School superintendent at Ramer . . . W. A. Gentry will continue in similar position at Pine Level.

Friends of Bud Huey are hoping he will soon be able to be moved to his home in Ramer . . . Run over by a truck in Opelika some weeks ago, he continues in too serious a condition to be placed in a cast, which is necessary before moving him . . . Farmers of Montgomery County may operate their farm machinery without having to pay the one-cent a gallon tax voted in by the Legislature . . . They have the Board of Revenue to thank . . . The board felt it could get along without the additional income and passed resolutions exempting farmers and non-highway users from paying it.

Snowdoun Methodist Church got six new members at a revival service held last week by Dr. W. F. Calhoun, of Selma . . . In spite of the hot weather, Dr. Calhoun preached to capacity congregations . . . The women of the church recently organized a society of Christian service with 10 charter members . . . The Rev. Griffin Lloyd, of Ramer, has cancelled plans to attend the Christian Ashram conducted by Stanley Jones at Mars Hill, N. C. Aug. 14-24 . . . Reading a news note from Mrs. Marion Edge, of Macedonia about a fish fry the family gave positively made me hungry . . . Having breakfast unexpectedly with the P. W. Williams family at Ramer was a delightful Sunday morning experience . . . Their daughter, Dr. C. J. William (Jean to the folks at home), is a delightful person . . . Looking for all the world like a college girl home on vacation, she has accomplished things hardly to be expected of one in her early twenties . . . Graduate of Vanderbilt University school of medicine, with internship at Boston Hospital and a year of practice in an Augusta, Ga., hospital behind her, she is visiting at home en route to Detroit to take the position of resident physician in Henry Ford Hospital . . . If someone didn't whisper all this in your ear, you'd never guess it and that is part of her charm . . . The other child of the family, a son, P. W., Jr., is off to the wars like other young Americans and his letters indicate he's getting a thrill out of it.

What's happening in the county this week:

Annual cemetery working will be held at Dublin Tuesday.

Pinedale Civic Club will hold a moonlight picnic Tuesday night with Mrs. J. C. Eagerton, Sr., and Mrs. Herbert Eagerton as hostesses.

Pine Level Methodist W. S. C. S. will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday at 3 p.m. at the church.

Annual cemetery cleaning will be held Wednesday at Pisgah.

The monthly meeting of Ramer Baptist W. M. S., postponed from Tuesday, will be held Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Herman D. Smith.

Grady Round Table Club will meet Thursday with Mrs. Larry Lee and Mrs. M. C. Ellison as hostesses. Mrs. Lucien Anderson will conduct the devotional and Mrs. C. D. Keener, assisted by Mrs. Ellison will direct a program on "English Letters."

Revival services will begin Sunday at Friendship Baptist Church near Grady.

Annual homecoming will be held at Strata Church of Christ and will be followed by a week's revival services. Services will be held on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. and from Monday through Friday daily at 8:30 p.m.

August 16, 1943

Montgomery County News
by Mildred Smith

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"Are you a furniture kicker or self hair-puller when things go wrong?" the Dixie Electric Co-operative asks its rural customers in Montgomery County, and continues, "Isn't it annoying to have an electric iron fail or to have the refrigerator stop functioning or the water pump motor curl up and die one of these

hot days with the family and livestock looking down your eyes for relief? But kicking furniture does no good at such times." All of this is by way of opening a discussion on the difficulty of electric repair service because of the small percentage of new parts allotted civilian use by manufacturers and also because of the fact that most electrical repair men are in the service.

To help their Montgomery County customers, the Dixie Co-operative will hold a meeting at Pine Level School Wednesday at 8 p.m. in which it hopes to teach them the proper care and handling of home electric appliances and simple methods of repair work. Two sound films will be used for illustrative purposes.

It will be a great help to all who can attend. Many a small repair can be made at nominal cost by the man or woman, boy or girl familiar with electric appliances. It really is very simple and often it is fascinating to make your iron, fan, grill or waffle irons "tick" again after they suddenly go dead. Nothing short of a broken spring in a motor or a blown thermostat in a range has stopped at least one Montgomery County woman known to this column and there must be plenty of others like her. By all means, let all those who have electric service attend the meeting at Pine Level Wednesday night.

Annual homecoming was held today at the Church of Christ at Strata, the little church where "Mack" Barnes started more than half a century ago a preaching and teaching career that brought him nationwide recognition. In spite of travel problems, a representative congregation was present to hear the morning sermon by Minister Ray Dillard and the afternoon sermon by Minister Clyde Fulmer, and to partake of the generous basket dinner served in the church grove. The homecoming was the opening for a revival meeting which will be continued through Friday with services each night at 8:30 o'clock. Minister Jesse Brown will preach Monday night; Minister Furman Cauthen, Tuesday night; Minister Charlie Landers, Wednesday night; Minister James Smythe, Thursday night, and Minister Clyde Fulmer, Friday night.

Revival services are also being held this week at Friendship Baptist Church through Friday night and at Ramer Church of Christ through Wednesday night. Minister Fitzhugh Ellington, of Andalusia, is in charge of the Ramer meeting, holding services daily at 3:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Minister Ray Dillard is in charge of the singing.

Pine Level Baptist W.M.S. will hold its regular meeting Tuesday afternoon.

The monthly meeting of the W. S. C. S. of Fairview Methodist Church on the Old Selma Road has been postponed from the regular date to Aug. 25 and will be held at the home of Mrs. E. C. Hall.

Dr. A. B. Davidson of Huntingdon College will conduct preaching services at the Fairview Church next Sunday at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Smilietown Community Club will hold its annual husbands night entertainment Thursday night at the home of the president, Mrs. C. O. Rawls.

Mutterings of a county correspondent: Congratulations and welcome to Leo Harris, of Grady, who will teach science at Montgomery County High School this year after long experience in the plant industry division of the State Department of Agriculture and other similar work . . . Charlotte Jones Harris his wife, will also be a member of the faculty, having charge of commercial subjects . . . Mallory Chandler, former teacher in Pike Road and Montgomery, has given up the profession for farming at his home near Grady . . . His wife, Mildred, will continue to teach, taking the place of Mrs. Susie Wingard, who resigned from the Pine Level faculty . . . And Clyde Whitten, now Mrs. Gordon, will be on the Catoma faculty as a new teacher . . . Teachers and children have only three more weeks of vacation, schools opening Sept. 6.

Farmers who have had difficulty buying legume seed and fertilizer will be gladdened by the AAA extending its year till Dec. 31, giving them another four months to take up allotments in soil building . . . Now is the time to get land prepared for planting small grain and Winter legumes . . . They would be in the ground on or soon after Sept. 10 . . . The law says a person can be robbed but only a building can be burglarized. Furthermore, if a building is burglarized at night and has people in it, it is a capital offense, but only a plain burglary if the building is not occupied . . . Penalty for robbing a person is not less than 10 years, and may be as much as the death sentence . . . Penalty for burglarizing an unoccupied building is from two to 10 years . . .

Rehoboth Methodist Church is planning a homecoming to which all former pastors, members and friends are invited . . . The Rev. W. C. Calhoun, of Tallassee, former pastor at Rehoboth, has accepted an invitation to be guest preacher . . . With timepieces hard to buy, William Johnson, negro living on the old Will Sealy place, was lucky . . . He plowed up an Elgin watch by a sprout from an old apple tree . . . Helen Felder, seriously burned last Armistice Day when her bedroom heater exploded, is said to be on the way to recovery at Touro Infirmary in New Orleans, where she has been undergoing skin grafting for many months . . . 'Tis hoped she'll be home again before another Armistice Day.

Montgomery County goes to war: Sam Wingard, of Grady was discharged from the Army because of physical disability and surprised his family by arriving unexpectedly from Battle Creek, Mich., last week . . . His brother, Flight Officer Walton C. Wingard, was decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross in the southwest Pacific recently . . . Pfc. Jerry Warner was here last week from Grenada. Miss., to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Warner, of Stones community . . . Hubert Real of the U. S. naval Reserve, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Real in Stones community . . . Other Army visitors in this community were Lieut. Robert Grant, son of Mrs. and Mrs. J. O. Grant, home on leave from Fort Monmouth, N. J. and Corp. Lee Booth, home on furlough from California to visit his mother, Mrs. Eugenia Booth.

The Marines got a new recruit last week in Edward Stephens, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stephens, of Ramer . . . He has reported to San Diego, Calif., for basic training . . . Pvt. S. J. Guy, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Guy, of Mt. Carmel community was recently transferred from Camp Sibert at Gadsden, where he was studying chemical warfare to the New Orleans staging area Lieut. Alex R. Garrett, Jr., of Pintlala community is also in chemical warfare being stationed with the Desert Chemical Warfare Depot at Salt Lake City, Utah, as personnel officer.

Wallace Andrews, foster son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNeill of Dothan, formerly of Hill's Chapel community, has been promoted to gunners' mate, third class. He's in the Navy and Has made one trip to North Africa and is now on another trip somewhere overseas. . . Sergt. Gordon Flippo has returned to Spartanburg, S. C., after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Flippo of Grady. . . Jimmie Howard Lindsay, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lindsay of Sellers, is at Fort George Meade, Md . . . George Alton Morrison, of Sellers, with the U. S. Navy for 20 years, has turned up again in the Pacific theater of war after being missing in action for a year . . . Edwin F. Lewis, son of J. F. Lewis, of Grady, has received his commission as second lieutenant in the Air Corps from the officer candidate school at Miami Beach, Fla . . . George Spurlock, of LaPine, in the Navy since August, 1942, is in England . . . Claud Bailey Boyd, of Mt. Carmel, enlisted in the Navy and is stationed at Pensacola . . . Sam Thompson, son of Mrs. T. C. Thompson, of Smilietown community, who was hospitalized in the southwest Pacific area after action with the Seabees, was recently transferred to the Navy Hospital on Mare Island off the coast of California . . . He has a rating of chief

steward . . . Willard Reynolds, son of Mrs. T. V. Reynolds, of Friendship community is in a Navy school in Washington . . . His brother, Carden, who is in a hospital in Louisiana, suffering from injuries received while on maneuvers . . . Billie Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Bell, of Grady, was recently promoted to radio mate, third class . . . He is in the Canal Zone . . . Jack Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Weaver, of Grady is with the Navy overseas . . . Frank Lee Garrett, of Sellers, is in officer candidate school, medical administration, at Abilene, Texas . . . Capt. W. W. Sellers, of Sellers, is operations officer at Allied Air Forces headquarters in North Africa. He is in charge of all incoming and outgoing planes and pilots.

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Montgomery County News
by Mildred Smith

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Annual communion, held at Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church today, showed the effects of gas rationing, for "hardly a handful" of people compared to the usual crowds, was in attendance. There were as many visiting pastors, there were the usual faithful attendants of services the year around, and there was as bountiful a dinner as was ever spread under the ancient oaks, but the former members and visitors, those from a distance who always came annually for a day renewing ties with old friends, were missing today. Somehow it brought the war very close home.

Heartening to see in the congregation was the 99-year-old J. A. Davidson, of Goshen, a regular visitor on communion day. Last surviving Pike County veteran of the War Between the States. Mr. Davidson was there with several younger generations of his family. As he told of his own grandson and great-grandsons in the current war, he recalled how he fought with the 46th Alabama Regiment in 1861-1865, going to war himself at 17 and taking part in such battles as Lookout Mountain, Chicamauga, etc. Marvelous for a person of his age, he feeds the livestock, brings in wood, chops splinters, hoes the gardens and cuts the grass in the yard. Naively, he told this writer: "Until 10 years ago I got around fine and kept up with the work on the farm." Living with him are his daughter, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and one of his descendants has been lost in the war. He also claims several great-great-grandchildren.

Other familiar faces seen at Pisgah today included Ansley Mills and Mrs. Julia Bess Carter, of Montgomery, whose father was a former pastor of the church; Mr. and Mrs. John Bonner (Willie Lou Fannin) and daughter, Ann, of Montgomery, and Mrs. Genie Fannin, of Friendship community; C. E. Mills and Womac Mills, of Grady, also sons of the late Elder Mills; Mrs. J. S. Myhand, Mrs. M. L. Sizemore, Mrs. Womac Mills and children, of Grady; Mrs. Lizzie Neugent, Mrs. J. W. Sellers, Mr., and Mrs. J. C. Sellers, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Sellers and children, of Ramer; Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Story and Mr. and Mrs. Clem Little, of Ramer, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jackson, of Montgomery; Henry Jackson, of Pisgah Community; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Messick. Mrs. T. C. Thompson, Smilietown community; Mrs. Lizzie Missildine, Mrs. Harris Wood and children, Pisgah community; Mrs. Laura Sullivan, Miss Lydia Mae Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sullivan and children, of Pike Road; Mrs. Desma Brady, of Bethlehem community.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Smilie, Mrs. Pugh Allen and children, Mrs. W. W. Smilie of Smilietown community; Mr. and Mrs. Julius Menefee and children, of Shorter; Elder and Mrs. J. W. McLeod, of Grady; Elder Collins,

of Hartford; Elder Gafford, of Greenville; Elder Wilson, of Crenshaw County; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wilson, of Ramer; Mrs. Maggie Cargile, of Pisgah community; Dorothy Nell and Edward Strickland, of Atlanta, and others.

Plans are announced by Rehoboth Methodist Church near Teasleys for a homecoming next Sunday to which all former pastors, present and past members and friends of the church are invited. The Rev. W. O. Calhoun, Tallassee, a former pastor of Ramer-Pine Level charge, in which Rehoboth is included, has accepted an invitation to deliver the homecoming sermon. Basket dinner will be spread in the church grove at noon.

Announcement is also made of annual communion services at Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church on Sept. 11-12. Those attending are requested to bring basket lunch.

Montgomery County vignette Graduate of the class of 1942 at Pike Road High School and valedictorian of her class, she attended college at Alabama Polytechnic Institute last year, studying home economics. During June and July she worked in the office of the county farm agent in Montgomery. A good musician, a natural leader and prominent in county 4-H club work for a long period, she was winner of many school and club honors, and also won honors in the Girls Reserve. Possessed of high intelligence, charm and personality plus, she is Ann McClurkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. McClurkin, of Cecil community.

In lieu of the regular meeting of Pinedale Civic Club Tuesday Mrs. E. E. Price, Sr., will entertain at a membership tea for the club at her home on the Woodley Road from 5 till 6:30 p.m.

The W. S. C. S. of Fairview Methodist Church on the Old Selma Road will meet Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the home of Mrs. E. C. Hall.

Mutterings of a county correspondent: Miss Sue Dawson will arrive in Ramer next Sunday to begin organization of her work as vocational home economics teacher at Montgomery County High School . . . Some things that should be used oftener are letters, greeting cards, visits, bouquets of flowers, kind words, gift, no matter how small or inexpensive . . . Appreciation is written in such currency and it cannot be used too often . . . Miss Sara Margaret Hicks, of Dublin, will go to McKenzie Sept. 1 to organize her work as vocational home economics teacher . . . Four Knighten brothers, David, Sidney, Norman and Enoch, from Dublin community, are serving their country in Iran, North Africa, Boca Raton, Fla., and Hawaii respectively . . . Furthermore the four have six nephews in the service, Henry Meads, Leon and Fred Knighten, Harlan and Kenneth McDowell and Laymon Parker . . .

Vacation days will soon give way to school days . . . School bells ring out in Montgomery County Sept. 6 . . . Meanwhile, Montgomery County fathers are being moved up to 1-A by draft boards . . . Farmers seemingly are the only ones not being newly classified . . . Montgomery County's school buses, overhauled during the Summer at the central school garage in Ramer, are ready for the new session . . . Sam Thompson writes from the Naval Hospital on Mare Island that he took part in 210 air raids while stationed at Guadalcanal. . . . No wonder his nervous system needed "checking over" . . . Travis Cargile is in Camp McCoy, Wis., and wishes he could be moved where it isn't so cold . . . Richard Smilie, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Smilie, was transferred recently to the Marines and sailed overseas with the hospital corps . . . Joe Kirven Berry, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Berry, of Smilietown, has moved from England to Scotland with the U. S. Army . . . Pascal Hicks, of Dublin, continues in England . . . Friendship Baptist Church is newly painted, exterior, interior and pews . . . Frank Howard Hawthorne, son of B. B. Hawthorne, of

Hope Hull, is at Vanderbilt, studying meteorology . . . He is with the Army Air Forces technical training command.

August, 30, 1943

Montgomery County News
by Mildred Smith

Ramer, Ala., Aug 29

“Roll Out The Barrel” has long been familiar to lovers of the polka, but the words take on new significance to victory gardeners as the Department of Agriculture issues a bulletin on the use of the barrel as a storage place for root vegetables. Says the bulletin: “A barrel buried in the backyard can provide safe Winter storage for root vegetables, where Victory gardeners lack cool, well-ventilated cellar storage room. Basements with furnaces are usually too warm and dry for root vegetables, but a barrel, half-buried in the ground, insulated with earth and straw, and ventilated by a small hole in the top will care for a good Winter supply of beets, carrots, parsnips, potatoes and turnips for the Winter.

“Prepare the barrel now and have it ready to safeguard vegetables when frosts arrive. Dig a pit half the barrel and lay it on the side in this pit. Cut a hole about three inches square in the top side for ventilation and cover the hole with a heavy screen to keep out rats. Pack earth around the barrel closely up to the ground level. Then put a layer of hay or straw and earth over the barrel, shaping the straw like a tepee over the ventilating hole. Cover the straw with earth, except over the ventilator, and finally dig a trench around the barrel for drainage.

“After the vegetables are put in, fit on the lid and bank earth against it for insulation. As the weather gets colder, more straw and earth may be necessary to keep vegetables from freezing.”

Anyone interested in “rolling out the barrel” for this purpose may have photographs showing details by writing the Press Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, at Washington 25, D. C.

Montgomery County Goes to War: Claud Bailey Boyd has received a discharge from the Navy because of physical disabilities and has returned to his home in Mt. Carmel community . . . Richard Smilie has transferred from the Navy to the Fleet Marine Force, Hospital Corps, and has gone overseas . . . He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Smilie, of Grady . . . Pvt. Eugene Hobbie, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hobbie, of Ramer, is stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo . . . His parents and his sister, Noraleen, returned last week from a visit to him at Fort Leonard Wood . . . Frank Howard Hawthorne, of Hope Hull, is at Vanderbilt University studying with the Meteorology Training Detachment, U. S. Army Air Forces . . . John Dowling Turnipseed, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Turnipseed, of Ozark, formerly of Ramer, was at home on furlough from Fort Ord, Calif., returning today . . . After 16 months, the three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Mulcahy (Mary Smith of Ramer) of Montgomery, had one night together at home . . . Lieut. Pat J. Mulcahy, Jr., of Wendover Field, Utah, was at home on leave for 14 days, returning Aug. 15 . . . Pvt. Robert S. Mulcahy and Corp. James W. Mulcahy, both of Camp Rucker, met him in Montgomery, having weekend passes . . . Incidentally, James and Robert, always buddies at home, are reunited at Camp Rucker after six months of separation, one being in Massachusetts and one in Virginia . . . Pvt. R. C. Houlton, son of Carl Houlton, is in Australia . . . His brother, Pvt. Fred Houlton, is in Virginia . . . Pvt. W. D.

Durden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Durden, of Dublin, is at home on furlough from Pittsburgh . . . Douglas Talley writes his mother, Mrs. Cliff Talley, of Mt. Carmel, of his safe arrival in England . . . Marvin Davis is back in action in New Guinea.

Montgomery County Vignette: A seaman, first class, he enlisted in the U. S. Navy, July 30k, 1942, and had "boot" training in San Diego, Calif., after which he sailed for foreign service. He has been in action in New Zealand and other smaller islands, and was slightly wounded. Returning to the United States, he was at home on 12 days furlough while waiting further assignment. He is Thomas M. Holmes, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Holmes of Chesser community. He has a brother, William M. Holmes, T. M. 2d class, also in the naval service and stationed on the East Coast.

What's happening in the county this week:

The county farm agent will hold meetings as follows on Monday to explain the AAA program and assist farmers in earning all their soil-building allowances: Berry's Store, Pinedale, 9 till 10 a.m.; V. E. Gerald's Store, Swampview, 10:30 till 11:30 a.m.; Pike Road, 11:30 a.m. till 12:30 p.m.; Cecil (Shellman's Store), 2:30 till 3:30 p.m.

The county farm agent will hold meetings as follows on Tuesday: Waugh (Taylor's Store), 9 till 10 a.m.; Mt. Meigs (Gilder's Store), 10:30 till 12 noon.

Pintlala Civic Club will meet Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Clarence Windham with Mrs. W. C. Hornady assisting hostess.

Meetings will be held as follows Wednesday by the farm agent: Crossroads at new airport on Selma Highway, 9 till 10 a.m.; Hope Hull (Mike Green's Store), 10:30 till 11:30 a.m.; Mosley's Store, 12 noon till 1 p.m.; Hamil's Store, 2 till 2:30 p.m.; Fleta, 3 till 4 p.m.; A. J. Bedsole's Store, 4 till 5 p.m.

Catoma Civic Club will meet Thursday at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. R. B. Shelburne. A special feature will be an exhibit of the canning done by her daughter, Catherine Shelburne, from her victory garden. Farm meetings will be held Thursday by the county agent as follows: Davis' Crossroads, 9 till 9:30 a.m.; Red Level, 10 till 11 a.m.; Curry's Store, Snowdown, 11:30 a.m. till 12:30p.m.

Revival services are being held at Mt. Carmel this week.

Typhoid shots will be given by County Nurse Elizabeth Marvin Friday at Pinedale Chapel from 2 till 3 p.m. for both white and negro people. The series will be continued each Friday through September.

Annual homecoming and communion services will be held at Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, Sept. 11-12.

September 13, 1943

Montgomery County News
by Mildred Smith

Ramer, Ala., Sept 12

The board of directors of Montgomery County Council of Home Clubs meeting Saturday in the office of the county home agent at Montgomery, made plans to join with all other home club organizations in the State in observing "Achievement Day" on Oct. 23. It will be the second annual observance of this nature. In the absence of Mrs. C. O. Rawls, council president, Mrs. Edward P. Young, of Stones, vice-president, presided. The group, consisting of 15 representatives of the various home clubs of the county, chose Mrs. Young as Achievement Day program chairman, and who will choose assistants from her own club. Mrs. R. B. Shelburne, of Catoma Club, was named as decorations chairman, giving her the privilege of naming her committee from her own club members, and Mrs. Roy Glass, of Snowdown, lunch chairman, also with the privilege of naming assistants from her club.

The directors voted to study, in addition to their regular extension program, the countries of China and Russia, and to give attention to the study of juvenile delinquency in the county.

Mrs. Alice Johnson, scholarship chairman, reported that, though two college scholarships and one business college scholarship are available, no applications have been received to date. Mrs. W. V. Bell, new president, who will take office Dec. 1, was present at the meeting.

New arrivals in the county: To Warrant Office (jg) and Mrs. John N. McCullough (Marietta Brooks, of Grady) at Station Hospital, Craig Field, Selma, a daughter, on Sept. 2 whom they have named Sylvia Dawn.

To Mrs. and Mrs. John A. Reddoch (Isabel Guy) of Fleta, a son on Aug. 25 at St. Margaret's Hospital in Montgomery whom they have named Charles Shelby for his maternal and his paternal grandfathers, Charles Gunter Guy and John Shelby Reddoch.

To Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Price, of Pine Level, a daughter on Sept. 3 whom they have named Mildred Louise.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ariel Missildine, Jr., of Montgomery, formerly of Grady, a daughter at Hubbard Hospital on Aug. 28 whom they have named Betty Joyce.

Montgomery County farmers are being urged by Lem A. Edmonson, farm agent, to purchase their seed and fertilizer immediately, explaining that fertilizer supplies will not be adequate unless farmers contact dealers in advance of planting time and place orders for all they will need this Fall.

Because of an existing national shortage of feeds, fewer farm animals can be fed next year and unless farmers can produce their own feed, they will be "out or Luck," for buying it will be impossible.

Furthermore, planting should be done to protect the land from erosion from Fall and rains. If covered with a "carpet of green" the land will be protected, it will provide good grazing for livestock and will produce more feed next year, three good arguments for planting every available acre. Besides, Winter grazing in the form of small grains and legumes planted in early Fall is another way to meet the labor shortage.

Annual meeting of the Conecuh River Primitive Baptist Association is scheduled to be held. Oct. 9-11 at Pisgah, Oct. 4 has been set aside by the congregation to prepare the church and grounds for the association meeting.

Mutterings of a county correspondent: County, community chairmen and co-chairmen, meeting Saturday in Montgomery, mapped plans for a house to house campaign in selling bonds in the third ward loan drive which started Thursday 815857 Quarterly meeting will be held at Ramer Methodist Church on Oct. 30 815857 Pike Road community library is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 3 till 5:30 p.m. 815857 When the postoffice at Timothy was combined with the Grady postoffice supplies

from the first were sent in a corn sack by registered mail to the latter815857 Mrs. E. N. Wright is newly-elected president of Pike Road Civic Club815857 Mrs. Claud Boyd is new president of Mt. Carmel Civic Club815857 In 19 years of housekeeping, Mrs. Mamie Hall, of Mt. Carmel community, has never bought any butter . . . Mrs. Tom Sellers of the same community has not only never bought any butter but has never been without a "churning."

The Chinese translation of "crisis" is "half calamity and half opportunity" . . . By this token, the war cannot all be calamity . . . New cows brought to the farm should be isolated 21 days to prevent spreading disease in the herd . . . Every milch cow should have one acre of Winter cover crop for grazing . . . Dehydrated foods are not a modern invention . . . Nature taught primitive peoples that sun-dried seeds, grains and fruits were good and tasty food.

Montgomery County Goes To War: Sergt. Dennis E. Dicks has returned to Camp Pickett, Va., after visiting at his home in Pine Level . . . Pvt. Joe Tom Hooks, of Camp Shelby, Miss., is visiting at his home in Macedonia community while on furlough . . . Corp. William D. (Boots) Alford, of Camp Pickett, Va., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Corintha Alford of Ramer, while on furlough Corp. William Wingard, of Camp Pickett, Va., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Wingard, of Ramer while on furlough . . . Pfc. Fon Duffell spent five days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Duffell, of Ramer . . . Leon Hicks, of Shady Grove, has received honorable discharge from the Army.

What's happening in the county this week:

Catoma P. T. A. will hold its regular meeting Monday night at the school.

The W. S. C. S. of Snowdoun Methodist Church will meet Monday at 3 p.m. at the church.

Pinedale Civic Club will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. C. F. Halstead and Mrs. A. F. Medlen as hostesses. The program theme will be "Improvising in the Home," with Mrs. Cecil Egerton, Jr., as director.

Hunters Civic Club will hold its regular meeting Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. o'clock.

Ramer Baptist W. M. S. will meet Tuesday afternoon at the regular hour.

The W. S. C. S. of Pine Level Methodist Church will meet Tuesday at 3 p.m. at the church.

Smilietown Community Club will meet Thursday at 2:30 p.m.

LeGrand Community Club will meet Friday at 2:30 p.m.

A meeting of the residents of Brewer Heights community will be held on Oct. 8 at the home of Mrs. W. A. Gardner to consider organization of a home demonstration club.

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Montgomery County News

by Mildred Smith

Ramer, Ala., Sept 19

The Ramer Defense Council, a student organization at Montgomery County High School, is sponsoring the third war loan bond drive in the school to do its part in helping Alabama reach her goal of

\$108,000,000. Setting its own quota at \$3,500, the council sold \$1,200 worth of bonds and stamps on its first day, the reporter, Jerry Underwood, made known.

Officers of Ramer Defense Council are: Fontelle Wingard, president; Jerry Underwood, first vice-president and reporter; Haywood Cosby, second vice-president, and Margaret Tompkins, secretary.

Other members are the following representatives from the grades: Kay Collier, first grade; Dianne Wood, second; Shirley Norman, third; Charles Stephens, fourth; Frances Paulk, fifth; Janie Lou Bigger, sixth; Mary Ann Langley and Charles Mathews, seventh; Edward Ford and Teddy Paludan, eighth; Franklin Mosley and Joy Dees, ninth; Mary Ola Ford and Richard Webster, 10th Luther Mills, Willis Bell and Charles Miller, 11th, and Hazel Reynolds and Dennis Pouncey, 12th.

The defense council group has for advisers the teacher defense council composed of Miss Louise Kelly, Prof E. M. Fleming and Mrs. Lillian Collier. Prior to launching its drive for bond sales, the group gave a chapel program for the purpose of encouraging students to buy stamps and bonds. Talks were made by all the officers and the school principal, Prof. P. H. Harris.

The president of the group has a brother, Flight Officer Walton Wingard, on duty in the South Pacific where he was recently awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. The second vice-president, Haywood Cosby, has a brother, Lieut. Pryor E. Cosby, who was recently transferred to Randolph Field, Texas, after serving as an instructor in Army training classes at State College in Eau Claire, Wis. Other officers and members of the group have close relatives in the service, many of them on foreign duty.

Montgomery County goes to war: Pfc. Joe Tom Hicks has returned to Camp Pickett, Va., after spending his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hooks of Macedonia community . . . Pvt. Ralph Hooks is making a furlough visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hooks . . . Pvt. Paul Summers Gillespie, son of Mrs. and Mrs. Josh Gillespie, and a graduate of the 1943 class of Pike Road High School, is taking a special course at Norwich University, Northfield, Vt. After which he will become an aviation cadet in the Army Air Forces . . . Pfc. Malcolm C. Hightower Jr., of LaPine, is enrolled in a special course at the Signal Corps school at Camp Murphy, Fla. . . . William Watkins Pugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Pugh, Montgomery, R. F. D. 1, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army at Fort Benning, Ga., upon completion of the Officer Candidate Course . . . Prior to taking the course, he was a corporal in the 31st Training Battalion, Camp Crofts, S. C. . . . Corporal Otto Duncan has been promoted to the grade of sergeant at Fort Bragg, N. C., Field Artillery Replacement Training center . . .

Lieut. Charles Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ansley Mills, of Montgomery, and nephew of C. E. and W. M. Mills, of Grady, is now a flight commander at Turner Field Twin-Engine Flying School, Albany, Ga . . . His commanding officer, Col. John B. Patrick says: "Lieut. Mills's aptitude for teaching and his skill in flying soon brought him field recognition and advancement to the rank of first lieutenant." . . . Receiving his advanced training at Turner Field, he was kept on duty there as instructor . . . Aviation Cadet Tom C. Lawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sidney Lawson of Mathews is at Greenville, Miss., Army Air Field for further flight training . . . Aviation Cadet Malcolm C. Hall, son of Mrs. and Mrs. E. C. Hall of Catoma community recently graduated from the 61st Flying Training Detachment at Avon Park, Fla., placing him one step nearer the wings of an Army pilot . . . Pfc. Lorenz Grubbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Grubbs, and graduate of Pike Road High School, has been transferred to the Army Air Forces 30th College Training Detachment at Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio from Miami Beach, Fla. where he will begin training as an aviation cadet . . . A graduate of Seymour Johnson Field, North Carolina. Cadet Grubbs has the aircraft mechanics medal and the sharpshooters medal with carbine rifle . . . Montgomery County residents will remember him as a prominent 4-H Club member being the owner of the grand champion steer at the Fat Stock Show in Montgomery in 1940 and as winner of a free trip to the International

Livestock Show in Chicago that year . . . His sister, Helen Grubbs, was winner in the State 4-H cattle judging contest at the State Fair in Birmingham several years ago . . . She is now employed at Maxwell Field as a civilian worker . . . Maj. Henry L. Anderson is at Paris, Texas in charge of records in the Army hospital . . . First Lieut. David S. Anderson is an instructor in heavy bombers at Randolph Field, Texas . . . Capt. B. F. Anderson, Jr., is an instructor in the Coast Artillery at Camp Davis, N. C. . . . All three are sons of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Anderson of Sellers . . . A daughter, Mrs. Annie Anderson Farrar is with the Red Cross at Enterprise . . . While they serve away from home, Dr. Anderson holds down the home front . . . The only doctor on the Luverne highway from Montgomery to Luverne, he has set up offices at LaPine and Highland Home in addition to his office at Sellers, and also conducts a clinic for Montgomery County at Ada and one for Crenshaw County at Luverne . . . To see 75 patients in a day is the usual, not the unusual thing for him . . . When the war is over and all the boys are home, he plans to shut up office temporarily so the quartet can go fishing together once again.

What's happening in the county this week:

Westview Gardens Civic Club will meet Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. J. D. Cone.

Chesser Civic Club will hold its regular meeting Wednesday at 2:30 p.m.

Pintlala P. T. A. will meet Wednesday afternoon at the school.

Grady-Dublin Home Club will meet Thursday at 2:30 p.m. at the club room with Mrs. M. C. Ellison. Mrs. Larry Lee and Mrs. Minnie Garner as hostesses. Mrs. C. D. Keener will be in charge of the devotional.

Stones Civic Club will hold its regular meeting Friday at 2:30 p.m.

Revival services are being held this week at Ramer Methodist Church by the Rev. S. R. Jones, of Eufaula, assisted by the pastor, the Rev. Griffin Lloyd. Services are held daily at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. with a special service for children at 7:30 p.m.

New officers of Catoma P. T. A. installed last week are: Mrs. J. D. Baggett, president; Mrs. E. P. Young, vice president; Mrs. B. B. Howard, secretary; E. P. Young, treasurer; Mrs. R. B. Shelburne, auditor; Mrs. Clyde Gordon, parliamentarian.

Objectives for the current school year were mapped by Pintlala P. T. A. executive board at a meeting Wednesday. Board members present were: Mrs. Frank Davis, president; Mrs. Clarence Windham, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. n. J. Venable, publicity chairman; Mrs. W. A. Guy, program chairman; Mrs. Frank Anderson, magazine chairman; Mrs. Ed Puttus, membership chairman.

Newly elected officers of Pinedale Civic Club are Mrs. Berney Brannan, president; Mrs. James McInnis, first vice president; Mrs. Charles N. Putnam, second vice president; Mrs. James Stoner, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Cecil EAgerton, Jr., parliamentarian.

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by Mildred Smith

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The vocational home economics program at Montgomery County High School is being shaped this year, along with that in other high schools of the State, to meet war-time situations. Special emphasis is placed on food production, preservation and nutrition since food is as important a weapon in war as guns and tanks.

Miss Mattie Sue Dawson, county high school vocational home economics teacher, attended with vocational teachers from Elmore, Lowndes, Butler and Crenshaw Counties, a two-day home economics work conference held recently in Greenville under direction of Miss Mable Blevins and Miss Mildred Hart, assistant State supervisors of home economics.

"We have an obvious and important part to play on the food front," the supervisors said: "It is a frightening task these days to keep the family well-fed, therefore we have an opportunity for serving on the home front, that 'second front, which is of great important in our system of national defense.'" the supervisors not only reminded the vocational teachers to stress food in all its phases, but asked for continued emphasis on clothing, conservation, with particular thought to training the girls under them in selection, care, storage and renovation so that it will be necessary to buy only that clothing needed to keep one suitably dressed. Also due to wartime restrictions and priorities, the vocational classes will be taught with more emphasis than ever how to repair, keep and renovate household furnishings and equipment, a subject which has always received important attention at Montgomery County High School.

The teachers at the conference were reminded that wartime conditions have made necessary renewed emphasis on child care and development and they were asked to give the high school girls particular help in working with children so that each contact would contribute to the growth and development and they were asked to give the high school girls particular help in working with children so that each contact would contribute to the growth and development of both child and student.

Personality studies, which have always received major attention in the county high school vocational department, will under the wartime program, continue to be stressed in an effort to meet the needs of young people thrown into unusual and sometimes unwholesome conditions because of wartime conditions. Training in home nursing and first aid will be provided in the vocational course if it is not available elsewhere.

The vocational teachers will carry these same subjects to adults of their respective communities through home making classes in the afternoons or evenings. Important demonstrations in the proposed foods program were given the other teachers by Miss Margie Mahone of Crenshaw County.

A former Montgomery County High School girl who was graduated at Auburn this year and is now teaching vocational home economics at McKenzie High School, Miss Sara Margaret Hicks of Dublin, was among the teachers attending the conference.

Others in addition to Miss Dawson, Miss Mahone, and Miss Hicks were; Miss Sarah Rodney, Hayneville; Miss Margaret Phillips, Ft. Deposit; Mrs. K. V. Reagan, Greenville; Mrs. Marguerity C. Holt, Holtville; Miss Naomi Wilson, Tallassee; Miss Bettye Lou Horton, Eclectic; Miss Hazel Cox, Wetumpka; Miss Mildred Nixon, Dozier; Mrs. Carrie M. Bayles, Highland Home; Mrs. Edna S. Hamer.

The young people of Snowdoun Methodist Church celebrated their fourth annual "Youth Day" today with a program featuring a sermon this morning by the Rev. Mr. Carlton, a sermon this evening by the Rev. Charles Turner, and talks by the pastor, the Rev. J. R. Helms, of LaPine, and climaxed the day with an impressive candlelight service in which officers were installed. A noonday feature was the basket dinner served on the church grounds.

Montgomery County vignette: A graduate of Montgomery County High School in 1939, she was a prominent member and officer of Ramer Chapter. Future Home Makers of America, high-ranking in scholastic work and a leader in student activities. She attended Alabama College at Montevallo in her freshman year, then transferred to Alabama Polytechnic Institute where she received her degree in sociology in August and soon afterwards accepted a position with the State Department of Public Welfare in Choctaw County. She is Alabelle Norman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Norman of Fleta community

Mutterings of a county correspondent: Children of Montgomery County's rural schools are taking part in the Third War Loan by conducting bond and stamp sales in their respective schools . . . Setting a goal of \$3,400, Ramer school sold over \$1,200 on the first day under sponsorship of the Student Defense Council . . . Pintlala school sold more than \$21,000 in the first week . . . Others have not made report yet but are doing their part in a big way . . . Like the person who originated the essay, "I Am A War Bond," they have learned that a bond is not "just a piece of engraved paper but the indestructible and unbending will of a great people, the rumble of a new and better world, the swift arm of all the forces of order and decency, the hope of humanity, and the gleam of hope in the eye of the desperate and the submerged." . . . Little Johnny Reddoch of Fleta might not have been able to say all that last week but it is what he felt when he bought at Pintlala school a \$25 bond for his new baby brother with money sent the baby as gifts . . .

Wartime changes: Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Copeland have left their home near Grady to reside at Ada . . . Mr. and Mrs. Merlie Price, who left Dublin to do defense work at Mobile, were back on a visit recently and completed the purchase of the former W. E. Raley home which they expect to occupy after the war . . . Mrs. J. W. Derden, who left her ancestral home near Grady to live in Montgomery last year is back at home and everybody is glad . . . Her some has all the old-time country elegance coupled with all the modern conveniences of electricity . . . It doesn't seem right for anybody else to be in it . . . Pintlala Civic Club sells war stamps at all neighborhood meetings. The neighborhood groups are a wartime expediency brought about by gasoline rationing . . . Where there used to be one general meeting with members coming from as much as 10 miles, now there are five neighborhood meetings within walking distance of all group members . . . Mrs. B. C. Capell of Stones community has bought "Castle Farm" former Hunter Vaughan place on Hunter Loop Road, from E. P. Mangum, but will not take possession until Jan. 1

What's happening in the county this week:

Ramer Civic Club will meet Tuesday at the regular hour with Mrs. N. J. Cowles and Mrs. R. F. Cowles as hostesses and Mrs. E. W. Collier as songleader. Members will answer roll call with their favorite form of recreation.

Pinedale Civic Club will meet in neighborhood groups Tuesday at 2:30 p.m., with hostesses as follows: Mrs. J. Cecil Eagerton, Jr., Woodley neighborhood; Mrs. A. A. Watts, Crossroads neighborhood; Mrs. W. P. Sides, Southside; Mrs. T. J. Register, at the home of Mrs. W. E. Duncan, Narrow Lane neighborhood.

Mrs. W. M. Weaver, Mrs. J. T. Browning, Miss June Hancock and Mrs. W. C. Gardner will entertain at a tea shower Thursday at Grady school from 2 till 4 p.m., honoring Mrs. Sam Wingard (Mary Huffman).

Westview Gardens Civic Club, having changed its regular schedule of meetings to the first Friday in each month, will meet Friday at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. G. D. Miller

The Conecuh River Primitive Baptist Association will meet at Pisgah Oct. 9-10. Members of Pisgah congregation will meet at the church Oct. 4, to prepare it for the association.

Montgomery County Council of Home Clubs will hold its annual "Achievement Day" program Oct. 23 at Oak Park.