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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING — Hurry, rush, run, get this, get that is the order of the day for women of Smyth this week in last minute Christmas shopping. A gift for Aunt Sue, Cousin Joe, get the present for the church party — all this is keeping the normally calm, easy going women breathless. But Mrs. Lee Orfield of Iron St., Marion, apparently is enjoying her Christmas shopping — as do the other women, if they would only tell the truth.

LIFE IN SMYTH COUNTY

Precinct Heads For March of Dimes Named by Atkins



Gale Atkins
Precinct chairman for the 1954 March of Dimes Drive in Smyth County have been announced this week by Gayle Atkins, director.

The campaign will start Jan. 1 and will continue throughout the month, he said. Special events for the drive are being lined up now and will be announced as scheduled.

Precincts and their chairmen follow: Atkins, Mrs. Leona Huff; Atwood, Dixie L. Shumate; Adwolve, Mrs. Clyde Burton; Broadford, John W. Holloway; Camp and Cedar Springs, Douglas Sult; Chilhowie, Mrs. Burl Thomas; Groseclose, Mrs. Charles Bear; Greenwood, Mrs. Everette Box; Konnarock, W. F. Stanberry; Marion, Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Also, Mt. Carmel, Mrs. Harold Conner; Nebo, Mrs. T. J. Kegley; North Holston, Miss Helen Callahan; Rich Valley, Mrs. John B. Campbell; Riverside, Miss Minnie Rouse; Saltville, Mrs. Roby Gillenwater; Seven Mile Ford, Mrs. Porter Rice; Sugar Grove and Teas, Mrs. Robert Ashland.

COMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17
A CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be given at the Chilhowie High School auditorium, 7:30 p. m., by the pupils of the elementary grades.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18
HOLSTON CHAPTER U.D.C. will meet at 3 p. m. at the home of Mrs. W. J. Andrews with Miss Helen Buchanan, Mrs. Veron Riddle and Miss Elma Legard as co-hostesses.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23
BAKE SALE, sponsored by the Marion 4-H Girls Club, will be held in the Center theatre lobby.

Merchants, Those Youths Must Have Workers' Permits

Four Marion merchants Wednesday in Trial Justice Court were fined \$10 and costs, fines suspended upon payment of costs, for employing youths without workers' permits.

Bill Killinger had secured all of the necessary papers except a birth certificate, which was unavailable because the State Welfare Department in Richmond had not furnished one to the parents of the boy who was adopted. Even after securing the work permit, the boy can no longer work in the plant because he must sort hangers in a room in which processing is being done, and this is prohibited by law.

Dr. J. A. Thompson was charged with working a girl who was too young to work in a place where food is dispersed. The girl had asked for the job so that she could do something for her invalid brother. Dr. Thompson stated that he had not checked her age, because she looked old enough to work. A girl must be 18 before she can work in a place where food is served.

W. M. Sclater Jr. was charged with working a boy under the prescribed age at the soda fountain. The boy did not have a work permit either. The boy had asked for work so that he could make some Christmas money, Mr. Sclater said. The boy even offered to pay any fines that might come out of his continuing to work, so anxious.

Lions Celebrate Charter Anniversary And Ladies' Night

About 125 Lions, Lionesses and guests attended the 12th charter anniversary and ladies' night celebration of the Marion Lions Club at Hotel Lincoln Monday night.

The invocation was given by Lion Rev. B. T. Sells.

President H. B. Eller gave the address of welcome and introduced the guests.

William Nabors, age 11, of Salem gave several piano selections.

Lee Rutherford, a student of Virginia High School in Bristol, entertained with specialties including magical tricks and ventriloquism.

Both participants on the program of entertainment were introduced by Clarence Stephenson. Joe Stephenson, program chairman, was in charge of arranging the entertainment.

Bloodmobile To Be in Saltville This Tuesday

Mrs. J. A. Soyars, blood chairman, this week again asked the Saltville residents to donate blood when the bloodmobile visits Saltville.

Collection will be made at the Town Hall this Tuesday, Dec. 22 from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Donors may make an appointment with Mrs. Soyars by calling Saltville 2871.

For Second Month Only One Smyth Co. Man to Be Inducted

For the second straight month only one man from Smyth County is to be inducted into the armed forces.

Mrs. Lizzie O. Allen, executive secretary of the Smyth County Draft Board, has announced that Donald Edward Harris, Broadford, has volunteered for service and will fill the order for one man.

He will leave Marion Jan. 7.

There was a call for only one man for the December quota also.

Policies For Stadium Use Are Approved

Committee Is Named To Supervise Plant

The board of directors of Marion Stadium Corporation has approved a list of policies for operation of the new Marion stadium, with an operating committee being appointed to coordinate the use of the athletic plant.

The Marion Stadium Corporation plans to stage a number of athletic events in the future, with preliminary work going forward at present to bring to Marion numerous athletic contests of this type. Money derived from these events will be used for continuous expansion of the plant and eventual reimbursement of stockholders.

The policies committee will supervise all other use of the stadium and all events must be scheduled through this committee.

R. E. Moore is chairman of the committee, with Lantz Haywood and Sheriff Pat Jennings rounding out the group.

"We have taken this step in order to insure everyone's getting an equal chance at using the public plant and to see that scheduled events are coordinated through one responsible group," officials stated. "This will make it possible for everyone to get the same treatment, pay the same charges and keep enough money in the till to keep the property in good condition. This, we believe, is by far the best, if not only, way to run the stadium in a business manner."

Policies adopted follow: "Who may use the field — It is intended that the stadium shall be used for scheduled athletic and other outdoor recreational activities. Marion High School's regular scheduled athletic events shall have priority in all cases.

"All other events shall be governed by the following rule. Events other than those sponsored by the Stadium Corporation itself must be sponsored by some civic organization or group.

"Minimum charges — Minimum charges to any organization shall never be less than the anticipated expenses. It is impossible at this time to determine what expenses will be but as soon as experience discloses what these charges are they shall be applied to all applications.

"Controls — On any event which is scheduled on a percentage basis the operating committee shall have the right to

C. E. Anderson Dies on His 88th Birthday



C. E. Anderson
C. E. Anderson, long time writer of the Democratic Opinion for the Smyth County News, died at his home at Adwolve Saturday, his 88th birthday.

Mr. Anderson had been in poor health for several years.

Funeral service was held this Tuesday morning at 10:30 from the South Fork Baptist Church. Dr. B. T. Sells read the scripture. Prayer was given by the Rev. Neal Blankenbecker, with a short history of Mr. Anderson's life being given by Mrs. Sam Gollehon. The Rev. Fred Harcum delivered the message. Burial was in Anderson cemetery at Adwolve.

Active pallbearers were Meek Duncan, Byron Anderson, Turk Warren, Charles B. Bell, Dick Taylor, J. Leonard Mauck, Julius Britton and Vint Cox.

Honorary pallbearers were Del Aker, Mose Bunts, J. Fleet Wolfe, W. V. Birchfield, Marvin Copenhaver, Charles H. Funk, Ike Sturghill, Dr. A. B. Graybeal, Blaine Richardson, Brodie Thompson, Lynn Copenhaver, Dr. D. C. Boatwright, Thomas Martin, H. L. Hubble and W. M. Meek.

Mr. Anderson is survived by his wife, the former Inez Quarles; two daughters, Mrs. Frances Ruth, Marion, and Mrs. Charles E. Wiley, Saltville; three sons, Charles E. Anderson Jr., Kingsport, Tenn., John Windom Anderson, Rockville, Md., and Hayden Anderson, Roanoke; nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Mr. Anderson was born in the house in which he died. He started teaching school at St. Clair Bottom when he was 17. He taught in Washington County and then went to Roanoke College from which he was graduated with a BA in 1889. Five years later he received his MA from the same school.

He taught school in Marble, Ark., Haynes, Ark., Gainsville, Texas, and East Florida Seminary, Gainsville, Fla., before returning to his home at Adwolve. He taught in Smyth schools for several years and was named the first county superintendent of schools. He had the same position in Johnson City, Tenn., and was principal of the Saltville School for 17 years. In 1927 he returned

Christmas Edition Will Be Issued Next Wednesday

The annual Christmas edition of the Smyth County News containing the year end round up stories of many organizations and offices of the county will come out next Wednesday instead of Thursday.

The office of the paper will be closed Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

All news and advertisements will need to be in the office at the earliest possible time.

BULLETIN

George DeBask, Smyth County Drought Committee chairman, this Thursday noon received a telegram stating that the supply of cottonseed meal and mixed feed is exhausted, and no more applications for these two items can be accepted after the close of business today.

ASC officer manager James Cumbo stated that the committee has two cars of cottonseed meal ordered, and they expect delivery of these two.

Corn applications can still be taken.

Center to Have Special Yule Activities

Jack Musten, recreation director, announces special Christmas events to be held at the Marion Recreation Center this week end and next week.

Saturday evening at 7:45 a boxing program will be given for children of all ages.

Monday evening at 8 p. m. the teen-age dance will be held and Tuesday evening at the same time a dance for adults will be held at the Center.

The director invites the public to all these events to which no admission will be charged.

New Yorker Has Accident at Atkins

Arthur H. Haase, 53, of New York was involved in a non-collision accident at Atkins Wednesday evening about 5 p. m. when he turned his car from the road to avoid an accident with an oncoming vehicle.

Mr. Haase, operating a 1951 Studebaker, was traveling east on Rt. 11 when the second of two approaching cars tried to pass the first. Mr. Haase turned his vehicle into the yard of a house owned by Mrs. C. B. Scott to miss the car. The other vehicle passed on a solid line and did not stop.

Damage was estimated at \$80 to the car and \$20 to the shrubbery. Mr. Haase was not injured.

to the Oak Point School at Adwolve as principal. When he retired from the teaching profession, he had been connected with various schools for over 50 years.

He was chairman of the education committee of the League of Virginia Counties and made suggestions to that body which strengthened the teaching of mathematics in Virginia schools.

He was the writer of the Democratic Opinion for the Smyth County News for about 20 years.

Chilhowie and Saltville Bands Pace Western Meet

Saltville and Chilhowie High School bands paced the recent All State Band, West, meeting in Galax, according to results announced last Saturday.

The Chilhowie band led in the number of students being named to the concert and workshop bands, while Saltville led in those being named to the concert band.

Luroy Krumwiede is director of both these Smyth County bands.

Chilhowie and Saltville accounted for 24 of the 100 members of the concert band, chosen from members of 41 bands of this section of the state. Saltville had 13 placed in this band, while Chilhowie had 11.

In addition, Chilhowie placed seven in the workshop band, for a grand total of 18. Saltville added to its record with two in the workshop band.

More than 400 students from schools throughout Western Virginia tried out for the bands. Out of 22 from the Chilhowie band, 18 placed in one of the two bands.

Following are Chilhowie students in the two bands:

Concert: Charlene Miller, Jo Ann Spurgeon, flute; Patricia Duncan, Elizabeth Rosenbaum, Ann Herndon, Janice Rouse, Betsy Sanders, Ann Lee Wyatt, clarinet; Benny Sanders, alto saxophone; Lowell Hopkins, Baker Martin, Sousaphone.

Workshop: Josephine Duncan, Rose Marie Jones, Geraldine Wolfe, clarinet; Nancy St. John, French horn; Kenny ReCTOR, alto saxophone; William St. John, Peggy Gamble, trombone.

Saltville students earning a berth in the bands include:

Concert: Mary Jane Webb, Mary Dunham, Morris Moore, clarinet; Joy Slate, Nancy Bradt, Sidra Coe, Shelby Lee, flute; Bobby Chapman, Sousaphone; Tommy Diggs, Gene Lee, cornet; Frank Grace, trombone; Wilda Campbell, baritone; Charles Haynes, bass drum.

Workshop: Eddie Sheffield, clarinet; Sally Henderson, oboe.

Marion High School placed one of its four entries in the workshop band. Ned Legard will play the bass clarinet in the band.

The annual get together for members of the two All State bands will be held Feb. 5, 6 and 7 at Grundy, with a big concert on the final day of the meeting.

Smyth Plants Plan Yule Parties This Week End

Several Smyth County plants will have their Yule parties this week end.

The annual Christmas party of the Saltville Mathieson Employees Association has been set for this Friday at 7:30 p. m. at the Saltville High School auditorium.

A program for all ages including carol singing, bingo and other games has been arranged. A local quartet will furnish music.

There will be door prizes and treats for the children.

All members of the association, their families and friends are invited to attend.

Brunswick - Balke - Colender will have its annual party this Saturday starting at 1 p. m. and continuing through 4:30 p. m. in the plant cafeteria.

Santa Claus will be present to distribute gifts to children of employees. All youngsters under 12 will be given these special packages.

Harwood Manufacturing Co. will hold open house from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m. this Sunday at Marion High School. About 600 people are expected to attend.

Christmas movies will be shown throughout the afternoon in the auditorium. Santa Claus will be in the gym to distribute treats to the children and gifts to all employees of Harwood. Refreshments will be served here.

Both the Chilhowie and Marion plants of Burlington Mills held their Christmas parties last Sunday.

Business Establishments In Smyth County Increase

New York, Dec. 8 — The number of business establishments in Smyth County is on the increase. Local residents with the urge to be on their own are venturing into nearly every type of business in the traditional quest for economic independence.

The findings, being issued jointly by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare and the Department of Commerce, are based on tax reports submitted by employers for the first quarter of 1951 under the Old Age and Survivors Insurance program.

They show for Smyth County a total of 308 business enterprises in which there are one or more employees. This marks an increase over 1948, when at the last such count was made, at which there were 269 such establishments.

This gain, 14.5 percent, was well over that noted generally throughout the United States 7.5 percent, and than that in the South Atlantic States, 14.0 percent.

Although small business is well established in Smyth County, bigger businesses are present in more than usual number. The ones with 20 or more employees comprise 11 percent of the total in operation as compared with an average of nine percent in the rest of the country. In the South Atlantic States establishments of such size amount to 10 percent of the total.

Gainful employment is provided by the county's business places for 5,192 people, as compared with 4,864 on the payrolls at the time of the previous tabulation. The figures represent only those engaged in non-public employment and subject at the time to the social security tax program. Excluded, in addition to public employees, are the self employed, agricultural labor, railroad workers and certain other groups.

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Announcements (2)

24 HOUR WRECKER SERVICE DAY PHONE 2-0841; NIGHT 2-0615. MARION MOTOR COMPANY, INC. 6-16-TF

For Sale (3)

ONE HAWAIIAN Guitar for sale. \$75. Excellent condition. Like new. Phone 3-9992. 12-3-TF

IF YOU live in Marion and need Fuller Brushes call F. M. White Jr. Phone 3-7224. 12-3-4TF

1942 Chevrolet. Very cheap for quick sale. Audie Price. Can be seen at Lone Star Service Station. 12-17-1TF

For Sale — Six months old registered Bulldog. Call 3-9973. 12-17-1T

Warm Morning stove for sale. \$15. Also Athens heatrola. \$10. Cook stove. \$15. One coffee table. \$3. In A-1 condition. Call Reuben at 3-8001. 12-17-1T

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

Young Parakeets for sale. Make excellent pets — talkers. All colors. \$6 each. Call 3-5992 after 5 p. m. 12-17-1TF

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Six piece mahogany bedroom suite with springs and mattress. 1953 Philco Electric range. Tables and chairs. Call 3-7683. 12-17-1T

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HOLD EVERYTHING!! You still have time to solve that gift problem with a portable picnic cooler from your Coca-Cola salesman. 12-17-2T

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Wanted (5)
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WANTED — One used bicycle to deliver Grit paper. Phone 3-5984. 12-17-1TF

WANTED — Housekeeper. Middle aged woman. Write to C. L. Wiggins, 523 Edwards St., Portsmouth, Va. 12-17-3TF

Lost and Found (6)
LOST — Light blue tick hound. Dec. 4 on Bear Creek. Notify Sidney Atwell, Rural Retreat. 12-17-3TF

Help Wanted (7)
REPRESENTATIVES WANTED for Smyth County. Men or

women, age 25-60. Old established, well known firm with item easy to sell. Part time could be made full time work. Excellent side line with other products or job. High commissions. Write to J. G. S., Box 963, Bristol, Va. Our agent will contact you. 11-26-4TF

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For Rent (9)
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Notices (11)
I will not be responsible for any debts made other than by myself. William N. Sword, Saltville. 11-26-5TF

NOTICE — I, B. F. Blevins, will appear before Town Council of Marion Dec. 18 to apply for license as an operator for Red Bird Cab Co. 12-10-2TF

Special Notices (14)
VIRGINIA: In the Circuit Court of Smyth County I, CLYDE CHOATE, in His Own Right and as Administrator of the W. T. Choate Estate
J. LOTT CHOATE
MYRTLE C. MEEK
IVA C. CATRON
RUE R. CHOATE, Executor of the Estate of W. T. Choate v.
PERR L. CHOATE
2712 McCary Street
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And to All Other Parties Interested in the Subject Matter of this Cause:
By decree entered in this cause on November 23, 1953, it was ordered that Roy H. Burke, Jr., be appointed Special Commissioner to take and state an account reporting on the following matters:
a. Whether or not the facts and statements contained in said bill are true;
b. Whether or not all the parties in interest are properly before the Court;
c. The title of complainants and respondents in this suit in and to the real estate mentioned and described in complainants' bill, and their respective interests therein;
d. The annual and fee simple value of said real estate;
e. The liens of record, if any, against said real estate, including all taxes together with their priorities and the amount of said liens, if any;
f. The real estate of which Will T. Choate died seized and possessed which is described

herein as the subject of this suit;
g. Whether or not partition of said real estate can be conveniently made between the parties entitled thereto and if not whether said real estate may be allotted to any one or more of the parties who will accept it and pay therefor to the other parties such sums of money as their interest therein may entitle them to, or if partition of said real estate cannot be conveniently made, if the interests of those who are entitled to same or its proceeds will be promoted by a sale of said real estate or by allotment of part and sale of the residue;
h. Whether or not in the event sale of all of said real estate should be made, it is best to sell said real estate as a whole, including the standing timber thereon or to sell said standing timber and real estate separately;
i. Whether or not before

advertising said real estate it is best to have same and the standing timber thereon surveyed;
j. The liens of record, if any, against the share of any of the devisees of the said Will T. Choate;
k. And said Special Commissioner will also report in any other matter deemed pertinent by him, of which he may be asked by any of the parties in interest to report.
TOO ALL PARTIES IN INTEREST: Take notice that I will on Friday the 18th day of December, 1953, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M. at my office in the Bank of Marion Building in Marion, Virginia, proceed to take and hear evidence

for the purpose of making the inquiries and stating the accounts referred to me by said decree at which time and place you are hereby notified to attend and produce before me such evidence and exhibits as will enable me to properly execute the same; and if said inquiry is not completed on said day it will be continued before me from day to day and from time to time until completed.

This the 7th day of December, 1953.
Roy H. Burke Jr.
Special Commissioner
12-10-2T
(More Classifieds on page A-3)

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VIRGINIA — In the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County of Smyth, on the 12th day of November 1953, Sarah Welch Albritton, 383 Pendleton Street, Marion, Virginia, Complainant, against Walter R. Albritton, Route No. 1, Box 516, Centerville Station, Illinois, Defendant.

And it is further ordered that a copy thereof be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Smyth County News, a newspaper published in the County of Smyth and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this County within ten days after entry of this order.

A copy — Teste:
Lloyd S. Currin, Clerk
by Ruth Allen, Deputy Clerk
Ralph L. Lincoln, P. q.
Marion Virginia 11-26-4tp

IN CHANCERY
The object of the suit is to obtain a divorce a mensa et thoro on the grounds of desertion.

And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant Walter R. Albritton is not resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear within ten days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit.

VIRGINIA — In the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County of Smyth, on the 12th day of November, 1953, Amy Lowery Sweat care D. C. Lowery, Route No. 2, Saltville, Virginia, Complainant, against Thomas K. Sweat, 337 Colley Ave, Norfolk, Virginia, Defendant.

IN CHANCERY
The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a mensa et thoro on the grounds of desertion.

And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant Thomas K. Sweat is not resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear within ten days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Smyth County News, a newspaper published in the County of Smyth and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this County within ten days after entry of this order.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT PUBLIC AUCTION
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COURT

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is was he to continue, said Marion druggist.

Carl Vaught was charged with working a boy without a work permit and working him more than 8 hours a day. Mr. Vaught stated that the boy had been out of school for a year or so, and he did not even ask

him about his age.

The mother of one of the boys made an appeal that something be done about a law that would prohibit a boy who is grown physically from working and being kept occupied rather than getting into trouble. Commonwealth's Attorney C. H. Funk echoed the same sentiments when he said that today we are trying men for working boys, and Saturday we may be trying some boys who have gotten into trouble and attempting to find work for time.

In passing sentence, Judge W. V. Birchfield said that he knew why the law was written, but he thought that there should be some provision to care for such cases. He commented, "Perhaps the only way to get rid of a law is to enforce it."

STADIUM

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control the operation of the gate.

"The operating committee shall be empowered to secure liability insurance to protect the Stadium Corporation. Also it is empowered to purchase rain insurance sufficient to cover the costs of operation of scheduled events sponsored by the Stadium Corporation.

"The operating committee shall have sole authority to schedule all events.

"The operating committee shall be responsible for operating all concessions.

"The operating committee shall have the authority to collect all funds due the Stadium Corporation from scheduled events.

"The operating committee shall not schedule any event on the playing fields of the football and baseball areas

which, in their opinion, will cause serious damage to the turf in these areas.

"The operating committee shall have the right and responsibility to coordinate the advertising and publicity incident to the scheduled activities held in the stadium."

Work of Legion Is Subject of Talk By State Leader

Work of the American Legion among youths and the physically handicapped was stressed by Dr. Thomas Ely, commander of the state of Virginia, in a talk Monday night at the Marion American Legion hut.

Dr. Ely, visiting Smyth County Post No. 18, also spoke on the "Back to God" program of the American Legion.

The Department of Virginia has spent over \$131,000 in its child welfare program, he said. More than 14,000 children have benefited from this program. Dr. Ely stressed freedom, patriotism and education for children, and pointed out that the American Legion is working hard to help further these by sponsoring such programs as Boys and Girls State and oratorical contests.

Speaking on the "help the handicapped" program, he explained the many ways in which the American Legion is helping in rehabilitation work. The Department of Virginia each year gives an award to the corporation or company in the state which hires the largest number of physically handicapped.

Commander Bill Haulsee presided at the meeting, with 70 attending. Several guests and new members were introduced. Adjutant Bill Callan announced that the local post now has 350 members signed up for 1954. He stated that this is 70 short of last year.

Callan awarded consecutive membership cards to Jim Buchanan, Robert Davis, Mike Cassell, Paul Hicks, Lloyd Curran, Frank P. Copenhaver, Willis Wassum, Ralph Wassum, Don Hash, Peyton Barnett, George Inscore and Charles Jackson for five years of consecutive membership in the Legion.

Stanley Hedrick was given a 10 year membership award, and Beattie Gwyn, R. E. Tomlinson and George D. Prater were given 35 year awards.

Dr. Ely was accompanied to Marion by District Commander V. T. Rector of Glade Spring and George Sull of Jonesville.

Lemon Transport to Give \$12,964.91 in Bonuses

Lemmon Transport Co. will distribute \$12,964.91 in profit sharing bonuses to 42 people at the annual dinner of the company this Saturday at 7 p. m. at Hotel Lincoln.

About 70 guests will be present for the program, which will include pantomimes by Clarence Stephenson and music by Mrs. Eleanor Ewald and Cousin Zeke and the Virginia Valley Boys. Safe driving pins will be awarded to 28 men for a total of time amounting to 68 years without a chargeable accident. The safe miles would go around the world at the equator 163 times. W. A. Clark will receive a seven years safe driving pin.

Safe driving bonuses for the year amount to \$8,089.51.

Chilhowie Warriors Honored By Banquet

The Chilhowie football players were honored by a banquet at the Southernaire Thursday night with Dick Redding as guest speaker.

Mr. Redding, freshman football coach at Virginia Tech, spoke on "Things to Be Gained for Future Life from Participation in Football." Chilhowie Coach Bob Coulthard was

master of ceremonies and presented graduating seniors of the team, who made farewell speeches.

George Copenhaver school principal paid tribute to Harry T. Ball, president of the Chilhowie Lions Club, and Bonham Brothers for their aid in equipping the new dressing rooms for the football squad.

All seniors of the team were awarded gold footballs.

Mr. and Mrs. Isom Burchett left last week for South Carolina to spend some time with their daughter, Mrs. Cecil Delaney.

Miss Shirley Richardson visited Miss Lorena Ward Sunday.

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Marion Personals

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Miss Anna Schrock, who teaches in Salisbury, N. C., is spending the two weeks' Christmas holidays with Miss Mollie Cassell at her home.

Mrs. Haynes Morgan, Miss Margaret Atkins and Miss Margaret Williams will be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Baughman in Elizabethton, Tenn., this week end.

Mrs. Peggy Williams Mathe-

son, who has been a patient in Lee Memorial Hospital for several weeks, is somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Hawkins were called to Greensboro, N. C., Monday on account of the death of his father, Henry Hawkins. Mr. Hawkins died of a heart attack.

Mrs. C. F. Martin, who was quite sick at her home on Iron St. last week, is improving.

Mrs. I. H. Huff has returned from a visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Fitzpatrick, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Lansdown Gardner of Wytheville was guest of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Shugart, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cahill and Mrs. J. A. Eller left Tuesday for Miami, Fla., where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. Howard Rash is confined to her home with flu.

Mrs. Sam Ray and Mrs. Joe Clawson were business visitors

in Bristol last Wednesday.

Miss Peggy Lou Ford of Martinsville will arrive Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ford.

Among the college students who are returning home this week for the holidays are Miss Helen Morgan, Grove City College, Penna.; Miss Mary Ann Atkins, Madison College, Harrisonburg; Miss Bobby Lee Rankin, William and Mary; Kendall Hawkins, Hamnden Sydney; Harold Slem, Eller Burton, Paul Eblen, Preston Copenhaver and Billy Anderson; Abe Lincoln and Joe Campbell, Davidson College; Jimmy Brosco, VMI; Joe Blacklock, Kentucky Military Academy, Louisville, Ky.; Miss Mary Carolyn Legard, Madison College, Harrisonburg, and Miss Margaret Anderson, University of Chicago.

Miss Betty Jean Andrews of Martinsville will arrive this

week end to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Andrews.

The following Marion teachers will leave the last of this week for their homes to spend the Christmas vacation: Miss Mary Lou Hoge, Bluefield; Miss Charlotte Lyle and Miss Hilda Oakes, Johnson City, Tenn.; Miss Audrey King, Cambria; Miss Louise Gray, Miss Marjorie DeWitt and Miss Barbara Maupin, Greeneville, Tenn.; Miss Kay Turbin, Wytheville; Miss Betty McConnell, Nickelsville; Mrs. John Yeago, Chilhowie; Miss Betty Ruff, Staunton, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Collier, Johnson City, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott of Norton were week-end guests of Miss Katherine Scott.

Richard Layne, 2M3, of Norfolk is spending a two weeks' leave with his mother, Mrs. Della Layne.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baughman of New York City will arrive in Marion next week to visit Mr. and Mrs. Richard Campbell and Dr. and Mrs. Charles Baughman in Elizabethton, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville DeBord of Wise spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer DeBord.

Mrs. Carl Blenkenbecker spent several days of last week in Roanoke visiting relatives.

A-1c G. B. Snider of Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, is spending a two weeks' furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Snider.

Mrs. Mary Waddell was called home from Las Vegas, Nev., due to the illness of her daughter, Jessie Waddell.

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CORRECTION as having been hospitalized at Lee Memorial Hospital. She was treated at Marion General Hospital.

In last week's paper Miss Easther Burnette was reported

DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING

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2:30 P. M.

in the Auditorium of the Courthouse
in Marion, Virginia

The purpose of this meeting is to elect delegates for the Ninth District Convention in Bristol on January 30, and to transact any other business that may come before this meeting.

Brodie Thompson,
Smyth County Chairman

William G. Scott
William Garfield Scott, 38, of Marion, died at his home Sunday morning.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer T. Scott, Marion; seven sisters, Mrs. James R. Cassell, Mrs. Chellie W. Hall, Mrs. Billy Rector, Miss Mamie Scott and Miss Faye Scott, all of Marion; Mrs. John Bishop, Lenoir, N. C.; Mrs. Robert Hanshaw, Nebo; three brothers, Kyle Scott, Lucian Scott and Ray Scott, all of Marion.

Funeral service was conducted at 2 p. m. Sunday at the Centenary Methodist Church with the Rev. L. R. Hankins officiating. Burial was in the Hutton Cemetery.

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Mrs. W. M. Helton
Mrs. W. M. Helton, 49, died Friday afternoon at the Thomas K. McKee Hospital in Saltville.

Surviving are her husband, William Helton; two sons, William Lilly, Bristol; Joe Helton, Saltville; one daughter, Mrs. Florence Simerly, Elkhart, Ind.; five stepsons, Ray Helton, Bruce Helton, Grover Helton, Howard Helton and John Helton, all of Saltville; four step daughters, Mrs. Lulu Henderson and Mrs. Bonnie Aistrop, both of Saltville; Mrs. Kate Wood, Bristol and Mrs. Minnie Pierce, Abingdon. Also surviving are her mother, Mrs. Isaac Sweat, Saltville; one brother, Wilson Guinn, Saltville; two half-brothers, Thomas Sweat and Charles Sweat, both of Saltville and one grandchild.

Funeral service was conducted Monday at 2 p. m. at the residence with the Rev. Bill Medley and the Rev. Lee Poston officiating. Burial was in the family cemetery.

William C. Moore
William C. Moore, 61, of Chatham Hill, died at the Lee Memorial Hospital Monday morning.

He is survived by his wife, seven sons, Robert Moore, Chilhowie; William, Vance, Willis, Jerry, Bruce and Donald Moore, all of Chatham Hill; two daughters, Mrs. Fred Carter and Mrs. Junior Bise, both of Chatham Hill. Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Nathan Hess and Mrs. Jim Roberts, both of Broadford; Mrs. George Billings, Thorpe, W. Va.; two brothers, Ira Moore, Meadowview and Homer Moore, Chatham Hill.

Funeral service was conducted at 2 p. m. Wednesday at the Ridgedale Church of God. The Rev. George Musser, the Rev. Lee Stephenson and the Rev. Mae Robinette officiated. Burial was in the Ridgedale Cemetery.

Pamela L. Wolfe
Pamela Lucille Wolfe, four month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eskel Wolfe of Newport News, died Saturday morning at the home.

Surviving are the parents, one brother, Mike; the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Virgie Wolfe, Holston; and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henninger, of Saltville.

Funeral service was held Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henninger in Saltville. The Rev. Robert Hayton officiated. Burial was in the Elizabeth Cemetery in Saltville.

RV Farmers Club To Have Dance Dec. 23

The Rich Valley Farmers Club will hold a Christmas Square dance at the Rich Valley High School gym Dec. 23.

In addition to the dance, the club will hold two shooting matches during the holidays. The dates for these events will be Dec. 19 and Dec. 20. The matches will be at the Rich Valley High School.

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Among many other things the new process includes four sound tracks instead of one, all on the same film. The giant wide curved screen will fill the front of the Lincoln stage. This screen is said to be the greatest reflection surface known today.

"The Robe" will be the first Cinemascope production and will be shown about the middle of January. The installation cost to bring Cinemascope to the Lincoln will be beyond \$10,000. (Adv.)

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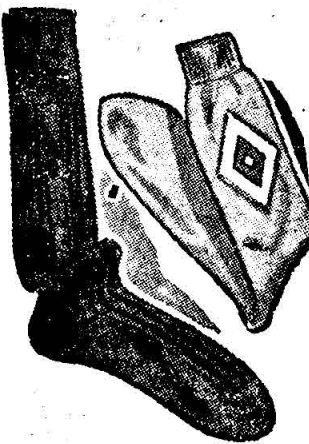
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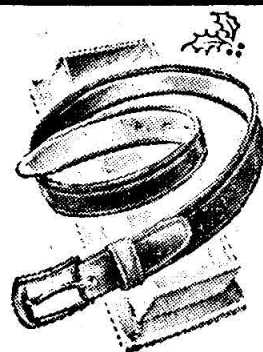
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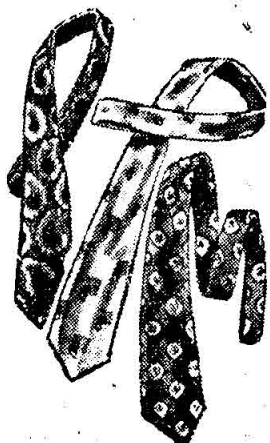
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A TRIBUTE TO CHARLES E. ANDERSON

By Charles H. Funk

We Americans are, in some ways, a very unusual people. In most instances political differences do not destroy our personal feeling of esteem and admiration for those who hold to opposing views. In many cases close personal friends and neighbors have conflicting political opinions on many questions which their spirit of tolerance and understanding do not allow to interfere with their daily acts of friendship and neighborliness. It is with that spirit that we attempt to write this article concerning the recent death of Charles E. Anderson, who for many years, wrote the Democratic editorial column of this newspaper.

As the writer of the Republican editorial column of this paper for many years, we recognized in Mr. Anderson an opponent worthy of the best we could produce, fair, honest and never personally offensive. He was first, last and always a Democrat. His faith was firm in the principles and traditions of the Democratic party, yet, when one of the opposing party did something worthy and worthwhile, he was mentally big and broad enough to recognize and praise it.

He was a man who believed that politics could be conducted on a high plain. He did not believe in crooked and underhanded methods. He was straight-forward, open and aboveboard. No one ever had any doubt as to where Mr. Anderson stood on any public question. Until his eyesight failed, he was a great reader in many fields and kept himself well informed on current issues. From these readings he formed his opinion, and, once formed he was not afraid to express his opinion, either in written or spoken words. We believe that we can truthfully say of him, "He never betrayed a friend, nor deceived a foe."

About 20 years ago he began to write editorials from the Democratic viewpoint, and we began to write editorials from the Republican viewpoint, for this paper. Up to that time our acquaintance with each other, though of several years duration, was only casual. It was not long after he started to write that we began to wonder just what kind of man this was who made us work so hard to find and prepare an answer to his articles. By putting forth a little effort we found that he was as receptive to a better acquaintance with us as we were with him. From that time the friendship between us grew and our feelings toward him were that of fond admiration. Though we slugged at each other hard, during national campaigns, we often compared notes as a precaution against committing personal offenses to each other or offenses to the readers of either column.

Mr. Anderson devoted 55 years to the profession of teaching, mostly in the public schools of Smyth County. He was a man and teacher who inspired ambition in the youth with whom he came in contact to obtain a better education. From time to time we have heard substantial citizens say, "It was on account of Charlie Anderson that I got an education. I wanted to be able to talk and discuss things with him."

After he quit teaching he retired to his farm in Adwolfe, where he managed its affairs and at which time he became editorial writer for the Democratic viewpoint. During the last four or five years his eyes failed him and he gradually had to quit his editorial activities. However, his mind remained alert to the last and although he could not see to write, he could set the opposition on fire in a political argument.

In our mind he was a very, very grand old gentleman. One remarkable thing about him was the interest he manifested in current happenings and things that were likely to result. Most persons his age lose interest in the present and future and live in the past. Not Mr. Anderson. At 87 years of age he lived with as much interest in the present as if he were a youth and the prospect of a long life lay before him.

In his passing, on the 88th anniversary of his birth, Smyth County and the state of Virginia lost a most valued citizen, friend and neighbor, who devoted a long life to the betterment of his fellow man. In his passing the Democratic party lost a very capable and forthright advocate of its principles. In his passing the Republican party lost a very worthy and honorable adversary, whom we Republicans esteemed and admired though our viewpoints were different. In his passing, the writer of this column has lost a very dear personal friend to whom we were deeply devoted with love and genuine admiration.

In closing we can think of no more appropriate words than those spoken of Hamlet.

"Good night, sweet prince,
and flights of angels sing thee to thy rest."

BASEBALL

We are writing this while it is snowing outside — rather strange weather to be thinking about baseball. But if Marion is to have baseball, it is time to begin thinking about getting organized and ready for spring workouts.

Saltville folks have expressed great interest in getting Marion into the Burley Belt League. We think they have a good idea.

Abingdon and Saltville field teams for this fast, semi-pro league. With Marion in on the pennant chase, this league could really hum. Abingdon, Saltville and Marion are natural rivals. Tied together geographically and economically, these three towns are ideal for good, clean, fast rivalry on the athletic field.

If Marion could join its two sister towns in the Burley Belt League, it would be of mutual benefit to all. Stands at all three towns could be filled on week ends, with good, hot baseball furnishing a major attraction for recreation.

Some around Marion have advanced the idea of professional baseball for the Mountain Empire town. It would be financial suicide to venture into any such program, unless some major league club is willing to pick up the tab in order to use us as a training ground. And most major leagues are shying away from Class D clubs. They prefer to get prospects from college and semi-pro

teams, all ready for either Class C or even Class B baseball.

This is one of the major reasons Class D leagues are folding up all over the country.

Semi-pro ball, with several local boys playing, is much more attractive to local fans than low calibre professional baseball. Several years ago we witnessed the killing of a Class B club in Spartanburg, S. C., by fast, semi-pro ball by the numerous good semi-professional teams sponsored by textile organizations of that area.

The same is occurring all over the country. We may as well face facts and plan for a semi-pro team in Marion. And while we are about it, why not build up our baseball for the young fry, building for the future?

Marion now has a good stadium and the physical plant for a well rounded program. Why not get started with the youngsters, furnishing all communities of this section the chance to play Little League and American Legion Junior Baseball? We have a good coach at the high school, so why can't we build up that team, playing a more extensive schedule than we do at present?

We firmly believe in the benefits of baseball for our young people, and we personally love to go to the games, yelling at the umpire and eating away on peanuts and hot dogs. There are thousands with the same idea, so let's get going.

Other Folks' Ideas

FEAR OF A BIG SLUMP IN '54 IS DWINDLING

(The Richmond Times Dispatch)
Income of the American people for the year nearing its end is estimated at \$369,000,000,000. This all-time high (even when reduced to its purchasing value in terms of 1939 dollars), is said to be about 40 per cent of world income.

Memory of the financial catastrophe that followed the febrile prosperity of the mid 20's, is largely responsible for the dread of a slump whose chain-reaction could, conceivably, turn a "recession" into a depression.

Such pessimistic fears are themselves salutary in effect. "The burned child dreads the fire." They tend to discourage reckless speculation, based, as it was in the late '30's on the assumption that a boom can last forever. The voices of warning raised during that era of incorrigible optimism were few and faint. The situation is radically different today. Business and industry are not afraid of the future, but approach it cautiously, with a sharp weather eye to windward.

When the then Secretary of the Treasury, in the 20's announced that American business was "fundamentally sound," despite widespread stock market gambling and reckless pyramiding of credit — he was uncritically believed. Such is not the case today. People want to know the whys and wherefores.

A generation ago economic predictions were largely speculative; today they are based on intensive research, not only by the various government statistical bureaus, but by topnotch economists in business, industry and banking.

Some of those at the top of their profession, like Professor W. S. Woytinsky, of Johns Hopkins; Professor Sumner H. Slichter, of Harvard, and Dr. Gordon W. McKinley, of the Prudential Insurance Company, tell us that there will be no drastic business decline in 1954.

These economists are, of course, fully aware of the common reasons given earlier this year for expecting a recession in '54; swollen inventories (i. e. goods on hand); increase in credit sales or sales financed by consumer borrowing; satiety of consumer demand; a drop in farm prices, and the imbalance between wages, costs and prices during an inflationary period.

But against these the economists cite offsetting factors; the undiminished demand by government for goods and services; expansion of local and State government construction projects; the Federal tax-reduction program; the liquidity of lending institutions; a high backlog of savings deposits; unemployment compensation, pensions, and farm price supports.

While they recognize the prospect of a recession from the unprecedentedly high postwar boom, they believe it will be a moderate one, which will inspire a healthy trend toward more conservative investment policies, more efficient production, and more cautious extension of credit — all of which should add up to a period of more stable prices and better values for consumers.

Smyth County Speaks

Carney's Point, N. J.
Dec. 3, 1953
Smyth County News
Marion, Va.

Dear Sir:
We enjoyed the Marion Paper and look forward to receiving it each week as both of us are from Marion. We like the Harwood news especially as both of us worked there but we like all of it since it gives us the news of our home town.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. Erbie Keyes

Altona, Ill.
Dec. 5, 1953

Dear Editor,
Enclosed you will find check to renew my "Weekly Letter From Home". I do enjoy the Marion paper so very much. My husband is a linotype operator for a daily newspaper at Kalesburg, Ill., and he thinks your paper is very fine. He used to work for a weekly before the war. Thank you for sending my paper so promptly each week.

Mrs. G. P. Martin

(Following is a letter written by A3-c Walter H. Bowman to his mother, Mrs. J. A. Bowman of Chilhowie, Rt. 2, following the death of his father, Bowman, who went into the service in 1952, serving in the South Pacific in World War II, is now in Seoul, Korea.)
November 12, 1953

Seoul, Korea

"Dear Mom,
"I have never had to write a letter of this kind before, and I am trying to think of what to say. I heard about Dad Wednesday night, the tenth, and have put off until



now to write because I thought there was some way I could get home.

"I saw everyone there is to see, and they all tell me the same thing, that if he was sick and not expecting to live, I could go. But they say that no one gets to leave the Far East after a service man's parents are dead. My Commanding Officer told me I could have yesterday off to try anyway I wanted to, to get home, but he said he

knew I would never make it because he had seen other fellows try it, and none of them had got to go yet. I tried anyway, and there is nothing anyone can seem to do to help me get there.

"I realize there is very little I could do, but I would still have liked to have been there. My Commanding Officer wanted to help every way possible, but in a case like this only the Red Cross could help me, and I have told you before how good they are at helping a service man (unless he has plenty of money).
"I knew Dad was not in good health of course, and so it was not such an awful shock as it would have been, like the time he had the first attack while I was in Germany. But I can still remember when he shook my hand to tell me good-by, he said then he didn't think he would ever see me again.
"I know, and we all do, that we can never any of us keep on living, and we can be as well prepared to meet the end as we can. But still when it comes we still never seem to be prepared as well as we thought. I had told myself of the possibility of this happening before I got back home, still I was not expecting it.
"No boy or man is able to lose his father and not be hurt by it, but all of us must take it sometime, with other things. I know I will have other things to worry about, and many sorrows yet in this life, but I try to be man enough to take them, like my Dad would have wanted me too.
"I just want you to remember that we as a family, never had all the things other families had. But as a family, many, many other families never had any part of the things we had, and still have. The love of each other, and help when we needed it, from, and to all of us. I can remember all these things, and be proud I'm a Bowman, and of my parents.

Farm Notes

H. B. ELLER

Outlook for 1954

Looking now at 1954, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics forecasts that both prices and operating costs will be down about three per cent from this year. Gross farm income may drop a billion or so dollars of the \$31.2 billion this year, due mainly to reduced acreage resulting from cotton, wheat and corn production controls. It, however, thinks farmers will cut corners and shave costs to come out with a net income not far from the \$12.5 billion this year.

For those who think the farm recession has not hurt, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics has some interesting figures. It calculates that farmers' \$12.5 billion income this year would give farmers about the same purchasing power they had in 1941. Meanwhile, the purchasing power of the average city worker is up almost 80 per cent.

Farm foreclosures this year have exceeded the combined total of any of the five past ten years; farm debt has gone up by nearly \$3 billion; declining prices cut the value of land, building, machinery and livestock this year by more than \$15 billion. Headlines that

labor unions are striking for higher wages, plus lots of fringe benefits, do not make pleasant farm reading.

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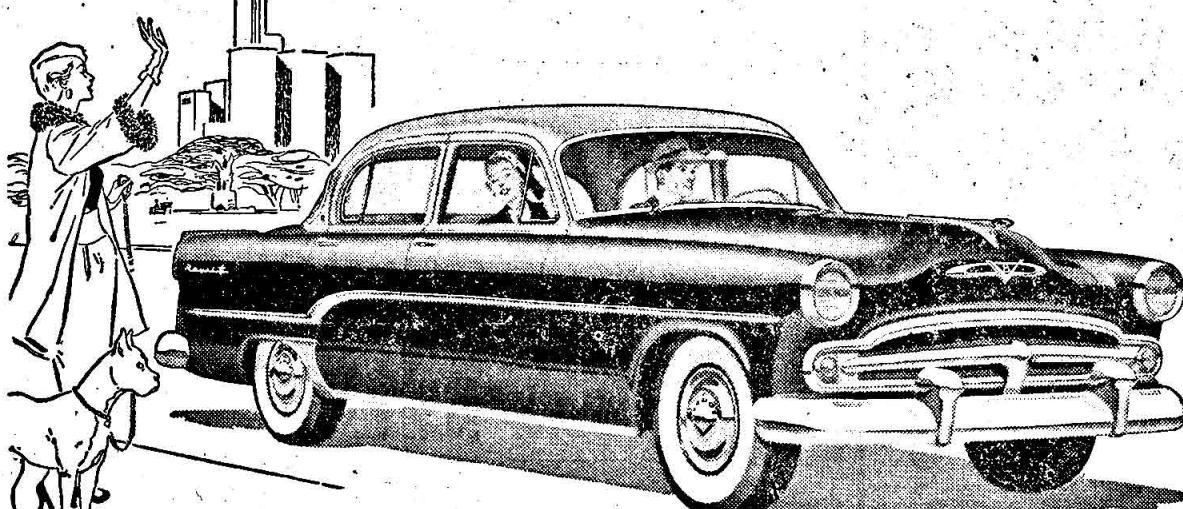
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NEWS of CHURCHES

Christmas Programs Are Planned in Chilhowie

Christmas entertainments are being prepared in most of the churches in the Chilhowie Community with the first one being held Sunday morning, Dec. 20.

Lebanon Methodist
The Lebanon Methodist Church will give its program at the regular Sunday School hour Dec. 20. Mrs. Glen Blevins is chairman of the program, which will be given by the smaller children of the Sunday School. Miss Rachel Cole will give the Christmas devotional program.

Mountain View
The Mountain View Methodist Church will present its program Sunday evening, Dec. 20, at 7:30. The program will be in story form with singing and a program by the smaller children. Mrs. R. M. Widner is chairman and is being assisted by the Sunday School class teachers.

Chilhowie Baptist
The Chilhowie Baptist church will also present a program Sunday evening at 7:30 p. m. at the church. Mrs. Glen Dolinger, Mrs. Frank Jones, Miss Louise Snavelly and Mrs. Charles Goodman are in charge of the arrangements.

Chilhowie Methodist
The Chilhowie Methodist church will present a pageant "The Shepherds" Sunday evening at 7:30 p. m. at the church. Miss Mary Payne Copenhaver is directing the pageant and Mrs. J. B. Cole is in charge of the music.

Youth Department
Monday night, Dec. 21, at 7:30 p. m. the Youth Department of the Chilhowie Methodist Church, under the direction of Mrs. Grace McCormick, will give a program and the Sunday School Christmas tree and party will be had at this time.

Tate's Chapel
The Tate's Chapel Methodist Church will have its program Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Emory Wolfe and Mrs. W. A. Henigar, assisted by the class teachers of the Sunday School, are planning this program.

Lutheran Church
The St. James Lutheran Church will present its program also Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Roy Duncan is in charge of this program.

Christian Church
Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. is also when the Chilhowie Christian Church will have its Christmas program. Mrs. L. H. Mink, assisted by the Sunday School class teachers, is directing the program. The pastor, the Rev. Desmond Cole, announces that the group will go caroling immediately following the program.

Church of God
A three act play "The Empty Room" will be given by the young people of the Chilhowie Church of God Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 7:30 p. m. This program will be under the direction of Miss Opal Peake. Included in the cast will be Billy Rhudy, Shirley Jackson, Gladys Peake, Jerry Odum, Ella Mae Thomas, C. W. McKay and Fletcher Brewster. A short play will also be given by the junior department of the church and exercises will be given by the small children. The Rev. and Mrs. C. W. McKay will assist in the direction of the play.

Churches of Sugar Grove Area Plan Yule Services

Most of the churches of the Sugar Grove area are planning special Christmas programs for this coming week end and next week.

Sugar Grove Baptist
The Christmas activities of the Sugar Grove Baptist Church will begin Friday night when the members of the WMU and their husbands will have a Christmas party and pot luck supper at the home of Mrs. Arley Anderson.

The young people's class of the BTU will have a social Friday night with Misses Ruby and Wilma and Mrs. Anne Parsons as hostesses at their home.

Sunday morning services will begin with Sunday School at 9:45 and preaching at 11 by the pastor, the Rev. Henry Colvard, of Lenoir, N. C. Evening services will include BTU at 7 and a preaching service at 8 o'clock.

The Christmas program which will be given Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 7:30 will include a play "The Scarlet Ribbon" by several members of the Sunday School.

Fruit baskets will be delivered to several sick and shut-in people in the community.

Wharf Hill Church
The Wharf Hill Church will have its Christmas tree and program Dec. 24 at 7:30 p. m. After the program the choir plans to go caroling and deliver baskets to several shut-in people in the community.

The WSCS will have its annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Ida Rector Dec. 29.

The members will exchange gifts.

Elizabeth Church
The Elizabeth Church will have a Christmas program Thursday, Dec. 24.

Women of Royal Oak Will Present Pageant Sunday

The Women of the Royal Oak Presbyterian Church will present the Joy Gift pageant, "Let There Be Light," this Sunday at 5 p. m. at the church.

Mrs. Jack Hubble, chairman of annuities and relief for which the offering will be taken, is in charge of arrangements.

Miss Margaret Buchanan is directing the pageant.

Music is under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Ervin. Margaret Campbell Williams will be soloist in the choir's presentation of "O Holy Night."

Mrs. Henry Durrschmidt is in charge of costumes, and Mrs. Dan Buchanan and Mrs. Jack Eggleston will arrange the decorations.

Parts will be taken by Joe Ervin, Bill Callan, Robert Hunter, Jim C. Buchanan, J. B. Neel, J. J. Barret, Mrs. B. H. Griffiths, Benjamin Fulton, Jenny Jo Pruner, Johnnie Johnston, Margaret Williams, Frederick Query, George Thompson, Kendall Hawkins, Billy Stroup, Tom Davis, John Davis, Johnnie Eggleston and Rickie Neel.

The Senior and Pioneer girls will be choral readers.

The morning worship service Sunday, December 20 at the Royal Oak Presbyterian Church will feature the coming in human form of the Son of God, Christmas hymns, an anthem, prayers and a special message from the pastor in keeping with the season.

The youth fellowship will have a carol-singing Sunday evening. During the week a Christmas party will be held for the children of the Sunday School.

All during the preceding week, white gifts have been received at the church for the children and matrons of the Presbyterian Children's Home at Foster Falls.

Riddle Memorial Church of God To Present Program

The Riddle Memorial Church of God at Atkins will have a special Christmas program Dec. 24 at 7:30 p. m.

A play, "Whatsoever Ye Desire" will be given. Mrs. K. B. McKaughan is the director.

The pastor, the Rev. T. H. Blackwelder, invites the public to attend.

Women of Cedars Baptist Church Have Meeting

The women of the Cedars Baptist Church held their regular meeting Dec. 2 at the home of Mrs. W. H. Stanley with six members present.

Mrs. Tom Goodman was in charge of the program, assisted by Miss Anna Lowe.

The president, Mrs. Nora Edmonds, was in charge of the business, after which refreshments were served by Mrs. Stanley and Mrs. Gobbie.

During the refreshment hour gifts were exchanged.



The Christmas Candle

In the earliest times the lighted candle had a place in man's expression of his religious belief. Light has always symbolized the outreach of the Almighty.

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Day	Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday	Luke	11	33-35
Monday	John	12	1-9
Tuesday	John	12	10-15
Wednesday	John	12	16-23
Thursday	Philippians	4	4-9
Friday	Psalm	18	20-28
Saturday	Proverbs	20	20-30

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Mrs. Petty Is Named President of WMS Of Falling Water

Mrs. Walter Petty was elected president of the WMS of the Falling Water Baptist Church at its meeting last Thursday evening.

Other officers include: Mrs. Graham Plummer, vice president; Mrs. Dixie Shumate, second vice president and program chairman; Mrs. George Winebarger, secretary; Mrs. Ed Wassum, assistant secretary; Mrs. Joe Sayers, treasurer; Mrs. Paul Fowler, prayer league leader.

Four Presbyterian Chapels Plan Their Christmas Programs

The four Presbyterian chapels are planning Christmas programs, according to the pastor, the Rev. C. R. McCain.

The Walker's Creek Chapel will present a program this Thursday evening at 7:30. The teachers at the school are in charge of arrangements.

A program, consisting of plays, acrostics and recitations will be given by the young people of Matson Chapel at the church Tuesday, Dec. 22. The program will begin at 7:30 and following gifts will be exchanged by members of the Sunday School.

The Nick's Creek Chapel program will be presented Wednesday, Dec. 23, with Mrs. Clyde Campbell in charge.

The date for the Park Chapel service has not been decided and will be announced later.

Ruth Craig Is Elected President Of Church Circle

Miss Ruth Craig has been elected president of the Cora Vance Circle of the Chilhowie Baptist Church for the coming year.

Other officers elected at the meeting held Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Reece Hays, with Mrs. John Osborne as hostess, were: vice president, Mrs. Frank Jones; secretary, Mrs. Lena Trail, and treasurer, Miss Dorothy Umbarger.

The program given, with Mrs. James Berry leading, was a Christmas one, "The Gift of God's Love." Mrs. John McCormick gave the devotions, using the Christmas story scripture. Others on the program were: Mrs. Charles Goodman, Mrs. A. B. Farmer, Miss Dorothy Umbarger, Mrs. William Campbell and Mrs. Gale Paris.

Mrs. Bill Day Is Elected President Of East End WMS

Mrs. Bill Day was elected president of the WMS of East End Baptist Church at its meeting with Mrs. Ray Barr Dec. 10.

Other officers were: Mrs. Herbert Campbell, vice president; Mrs. Joseph Pugh, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Carl Hester, community missions chairman; Mrs. Harry Fouse, mission study; Mrs. Ray Barr, stewardship; Mrs. Bill Sawyers, program chairman; Mrs. Walter Davis, prayer league leader; Mrs. Howard Broskie, literature; Mrs. Bill Davis, young people's director; Mrs. Helen Pruitt, counselor of YWA's; assistant, Mrs. Howard Broskie; Mrs. C. E. Elkins, counselor of Intermediate GA's; Mrs. Ray Barr, junior GA's; assistant, Mrs. Charles Johnson; Mrs. Drury Blevins, RA's; assistant, Mrs. Pat Patrick; Mrs. James Brooks, Sunbeams; assistant, Mrs. Harry Fouse.

After the program everyone present gave their friendship sister a Christmas present. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mass Will Be Said at 10:30

Mass will be said at the St. John Evangelist Church this Sunday morning at 10:30 a. m.

Marion Baptists to Have White Christmas Offering

Members of the Marion Baptist Church will bring their White Christmas offerings next Sunday.

The gifts of food will be distributed to needy families from the church. Members are asked to bring non-perishable foods to Sunday School or to church.

Each member of the church is asked by church officials to give as a Christmas present to the church his presence at the services next Sunday.

An attendance of at least 500 in Sunday School and 300 in Training Union is hoped for, says Dr. Primitivo Delgado, pastor of the church. He urges all members to be present so that the goal can be met.

Santa Claus will visit the church during Sunday School this Sunday.

The topic for the sermon at the 11 o'clock worship service is "The Light Still Shines" by the pastor.

The evening service to be conducted at 7:30 will consist of Christmas music by the Junior Choir and the Young People's and Senior Choirs, along with congregational singing and selected passages from the Scriptures pertaining to the Christmas Story. The choir will be in charge of Mrs. H. Clay Eller.

First Methodist Choirs To Present Christmas Music

The combined choirs of the First Methodist Church, Marion, under the direction of H. Tod Russell will present a program of familiar Christmas music this Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

Dr. B. T. Sells, pastor of the church, invites the public to attend this service and to join the choirs in singing the old favorites.

Soloists for the occasion will be Mrs. Donald Jones, Mrs. Walter Massey, Myers Mink and Mr. Russell.

Dr. Sells will read scriptures and offer prayers to complete the service.

Dr. Sells, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Marion, announces that he will deliver his Christmas sermon this coming Sunday morning at 11 a. m.

The topic of his sermon will be "Wonder of Jesus." The anthem "Long, Long Ago" will be given by Miss Katherine Hillrows and Mrs. Massey will sing "Away in a Manger."

Marion Methodist Circuit Plans Christmas Programs

Churches of the Marion Methodist Circuit will have special Christmas programs next Wednesday and Thursday, says the Rev. L. R. Hankins, pastor of the charge.

The special services will be held at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday at Davis Memorial, Mt. Zion and Zion Hill Churches. Greenwood and Mt. Carmel Churches will have the special observance Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

The Rev. Mr. Hankins will preach this Sunday at Mt. Zion at 10 a. m., at Greenwood at 11 a. m. and at Laurel Springs at 7:30 p. m.

Mrs. L. R. Hankins will deliver the message at Mt. Carmel at 11 a. m. Sunday.

The residents of the various communities are invited to attend these services, says the Rev. Mr. Hankins.

Yule Program Is Planned At Ebenezer Lutheran

The Christmas program at Ebenezer Lutheran Church will begin Sunday, Dec. 20, when the Sunday School will have its annual Christmas service in the Fellowship Hall of the Church at 7 p. m.

The Christmas party for children will be held December 22 at 3 p. m. in the Fellowship Hall at the church.

The annual Christmas Eve Service will be held at 11 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 24. Dr. John H. Fray will be in charge. The church choir will give two selections.

The public is cordially invited to attend the Sunday School program Dec. 20 at 7 p. m. and the Christmas Eve service December 24 at 11 p. m.

Yule Programs Are Planned at Churches Of Roy W. Redding

A Christmas program will be given at the Lick Creek Sunday School this coming Saturday at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Ethel Young is superintendent.

The Rev. Roy W. Redding will bring the evening message.

A Christmas program will be given at Wassum Valley Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Mrs. James Wagner is superintendent. The Rev. Mr. Redding will be the speaker at this time.

A Christmas program will be given at the Grove Baptist Church Monday evening, Dec. 21, at 7 o'clock. Harvey Crewery is superintendent. The Rev. Mr. Redding will bring the message.

A Christmas program will be given at Damascus Tuesday evening, Dec. 22, at 7 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Redding will be in charge.

A Christmas program will be given at Castle Run Sunday School Dec. 23 at 7 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Redding will be in charge.

A Christmas program will be given at Cameron Dec. 24 at 2:30. The Rev. Mr. Redding will bring the message. At 6:15 a program will be given at Slemp Creek, and at 7:30 at Quebec.

The Rev. Mr. Redding will preach at Adam's Chapel Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. There will be a Christmas program. Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at Stoney Point, and at 7 p. m. he will be in charge of a service at Wassum Valley.

Community Service Of Yule Music Is Held in Chilhowie

The second annual Chilhowie Community service of Christmas music was held Sunday evening in the Chilhowie Methodist Church.

The program began by organ selections by Mrs. Aker Williams. The Rev. M. C. Phillippi then read the Christmas scriptures. Ludwig Sikorski of Emory and Henry College accompanied by Mrs. Sikorski gave several violin selections.

Two numbers were given by the Elementary School children, directed by Mrs. Howard Bonham.

Mrs. George Naff Jr. of Bristol, soloist, gave two selections, accompanied by Mrs. Williams at the organ.

The Chilhowie High School chorus, under the direction of L. C. Krumwiede, gave six selections in keeping with the Christmas season.

The audience participated in singing carols and prayers were made by the Rev. Deamond Cole and the Rev. W. H. Simpkins.

An offering was taken, which will be used by the Chilhowie Elementary teachers, who sponsored the service in buying needed equipment for the local school.

Saltville Baptist WMS Has Christmas Mission Program

The WMS of the Saltville Baptist Church held its Christmas Foreign Mission program at the home of Mrs. Hedley Craft Dec. 8.

Dr. E. A. Valliant gave the devotional, after which a pot luck supper was enjoyed.

The theme of the program was "We Have Seen His Star." Mrs. D. L. Boggs was program leader and was assisted by various members of the society. Mrs. Berkley Henderson sang a solo.

A special offering, the Lottie Moon offering, for foreign missions was taken.

At the close of the program gifts were exchanged.

High School Basketball Results

Pocahontas 89
Rich Valley 30
 The Pocahontas Indians picked up an early lead that prevailed throughout the one-sided game at Pocahontas Friday night, when the Indians topped the Rich Valley Steers in a 89-30 contest.
 High scorer in the game was Dixon with 24 points, and Don Carter led the Steers with nine points. The Indians picked up a 28-10 lead at the end of the first quarter and were in front 55 to 14 at the mid-way point. This was the second victory for the Indians and the first district loss for the Steers.
 Rich Valley topped Sugar Grove in its first game of the season.

INDIANS
 Dixon 24 f Buchanan, 6
 Reynolds 4 f D. Carter, 9
 Reid 4 c J. Carter, 7
 Clark, 8 g Worley, 3
 Carter, 12 g Henderson, 5
 Pocahontas 28 27 25 9 89

STEERS
 Buchanan, 6
 D. Carter, 9
 J. Carter, 7
 Worley, 3
 Henderson, 5

R. Valley 10 4 6 10 30
 Substitutes — Pocahontas, Satmary 4, Danko 6, Shell 6, Eskut 4, Novia, Welch 6, Sluss 14; Rich Valley, Roberts.

Marion 47
Abingdon 41
 Coach Charles Franzen's Scarlet Hurricane made it two straight District Seven victories by handing the Mighty Midgets of Abingdon a 47-41 defeat at Marion Friday night.
 The two schools were in a deadlock at the end of the first quarter, and the Midgets took the upper hand by a 24-21 score at the end of the first half. The high riding Group Two champions came back in the final half to post its victory. Bobby Reedy and Fred Query set the pace for the Hurricane with 10 points each. Wendell Boggs, with 11 points, and Jerry Booth and Jack Milsap, 5 and 10 points each set the pace for the losers.

Marion's junior varsity captured the curtain raiser in a 23-5 contest over the Abingdon JV.

MARION
 Reedy, 19 f Booth, 10
 Query, 10 f Oley, 1
 Boone, 4 c Roggs, 11
 Stephenson, 6 g Dixon, 3
 Baker, 5 g Milsap, 10
 Marion 12 9 15 11 47
 Abingdon 12 12 10 7 41
 Substitutes — Marion, Williams, 6, Comer 5; Abingdon, Trent 5, Clark 1.

Castlewood 76
Saltville 54
 The Saltville Shakers were handed their first defeat at the hands of Castlewood in a 76-54 tilt at Saltville Friday night. Castlewood jumped into a secure 18-10 lead at the end of the first period that continued throughout the game. Castlewood held to a 34-20 lead at the midway mark of the game.
 Alvin Colley and Watren Yontz paced the losers in the point race with Monk and Horne netting 19 points each to lead the winners.

SALTVILLE
 Smith, 2 f Huff, 19
 Campbell, 2 f Horne, 15
 Lawrence, 13 c Monk, 19
 Smith, 2 f Huff, 19
 Colley 21 g Cook, 5
 Yontz, 15 g Hobbs, 12
 Saltville 10 10 18 16 54
 Castlewood 18 16 18 24 76
 Substitute — Saltville, White, Cahill, Booth, Tucker 2, Wall, Castlewood, Phillips, 3, Bellamy 3, Meade, Yerlan, Hale, Dean.



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Lebanon 80
Chilhowie 44
 The Lebanon Pioneers, paced by Ben Valley with 27 points, jumped to a lopsided 80-44 victory over the hapless Chilhowie Warriors at Lebanon Friday night.
 Lebanon grabbed an early lead that continued to the end of the fast game. Lebanon led at the end of the first period with a score of 14-11 and at the end of the first half 35-19.
 Duncan paced the losers with 15 points, and Elwood Morrison backed Valley with 18 points.
 This was the first District Seven win for Lebanon and the second defeat against one win for Chilhowie.
 The Lebanon girls made it a clean sweep by capturing the opening game.

LEBANON
 Dickinson, 11 f Claop, 2
 Valley 27 f Triplet, 6
 Morrison, 18 c Roland, 13
 Johnson, 16 g Walton, 13
 Ferguson, 3 g Duncan, 15
 Lebanon 14 21 20 25 80
 Chilhowie 11 8 7 18 44
 Substitutes — Lebanon, Burnett, Martin 3, Litton, Perry 2, Chilhowie, Elliott 2, Coe.

Sugar Grove 68
Speedwell 30
 The Sugar Grove boys captured the final game with Speedwell to make it a clean sweep for Sugar Grove at Sugar Grove Friday night in a 68-30 contest.
 Hash led the scoring pace

UP, UP, UP THEY GO in a mad scramble for the loose rebound after a missed shot in the game at Marion Friday night between Marion and William King of Abingdon. Abingdon players pictured above are (28) Oley, (23) Booth and (22) Boggs. Marion's Scarlet Hurricane players are Jim Boone, (11) and

Fred Query, (16). Coach Charles Franzen's Hurricane is the defending district seven champions and the state group two champions. This win marked the second straight district win for the Hurricane. Marion won the game 47-41.

Chilhowie 55
Chilhowie 47
 The Saltville Shakers outplayed the Chilhowie Warriors at Chilhowie Tuesday night in a 55-47 contest.
 Floyd Lawrence set the scoring pace by sending 15 points through the loop. Alvin Colley scored a close second with 14 points. Harold Roland led the hapless Warriors with 19 points and Doug Duncan scored 16 points to help fill the bill.
 The Shakers latched onto a 10-9 lead at the end of the first period that held throughout the game.
 The Chilhowie girls captured the opener in the thrilling game of the evening in a 73-71 duel. At the end of the game the score was deadlocked in a 65-65 tilt and at the end of the first extra period another tie resulted at 71-71. Nancy St. John scored the winning two points to give the Warriors their victory. Nancy St. John set the scoring pace with 56 points.

LEBANON
 Clapp, 2
 Triplet, 6
 Roland, 13
 Walton, 13
 Duncan, 15

CHILHOWIE
 Clapp, 2
 Triplet, 6
 Roland, 13
 Walton, 13
 Duncan, 15

Sugar Grove 39
Elk Creek 26
 The Sugar Grove boys rolled over the Elk Creek quintet at Sugar Grove Tuesday night in a 39-26 battle.
 Jennell led the scoring for Sugar Grove with 16 points and Hash chipped in 13 points to fill the bill. Smith set the pace for Elk Creek with 11 points and M. Cornett sent 10 points through the loop for the second spot.
 Sugar Grove
 Fannin 2 f Smith 11
 Hall 13 f Delt
 Hash 13 c M. Cornett 10
 Jennell 16 g Wingate 2
 Barton 2 g Jones

Elk Creek
 Smith 11
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Chilhowie Captures First Round in Saltville League

The Chilhowie team captured a series of matches from the Ice Plant in the Shaughnessy play-offs and the Hanchlites team knocked out Shannon Mutual in the matches this week at Plasterco. Chilhowie grabbed the league lead early in the season

and continued to hold until the first half of play ended. The second half of play will start Dec. 23. The matches for the first half championship between Chilhowie and the Hanchlites will be played this week end. In the matches Tuesday

night Chilhowie captured the high honors on all high scores. High team game and high team series was 582 and 1,662. The high individual game went to Bill Greeson of Chilhowie with a 136 and Casey Jones, Chilhowie, captured the high individual series with a 348. Wednesday night Caustic took the high team game with a 572 and Shannon Mutual grabbed the high team series with a 1,664. This was two pins higher than the Chilhowie score. High individual game went to Ralph Colley with a 143. Buck Sword racked up a 372 to take the high individual series.

Bowling Standing

Last Week			
Tuesday Night			
Chilhowie 3	—	Taylor's 0	
Chlorine 2	—	Hanchlites 1	
Worthy Mine 2	—	Central 1	
Wednesday Night			
Shannon 3	—	US Gypsum 0	
Glade Hdwe 2	—	Mill Room 1	
Caustic 2	—	Ice Plant 1	
Team			
Chilhowie	27	6	.318
Shannon Mutual	26	7	.788
Ice Plant	23	10	.697
Hanchlites	20	13	.606
Chlorine	19	14	.576
Caustic	17	16	.515
Mill Room	17	20	.394
US Gypsum	13	20	.394
Glade Hardware	13	20	.394
Taylor's Esso	11	22	.333
Central Service	9	24	.273
Worthy Mine	8	25	.242

BASKETBALL STANDINGS

DISTRICT SEVEN			
TUESDAY'S RESULTS			
DISTRICT			
Graham 70	Marion 44		
Abingdon 71	Glade 54		
Saltville 55	Chilhowie 47		
Tazewell 79	Honaker 61		
Lebanon 60	Castlewood 50		
Grundy 44	Richlands 88		
NON-DISTRICT			
Bristol 49	Blountville 35		
Cleveland 53	Garden 43		
Team			
Tazewell	2	0	1.000
Pocahontas	1	0	1.000
Bristol	1	0	1.000
Graham	1	0	1.000
Marion	2	1	.667
Castlewood	2	1	.667
Saltville	2	1	.667
Richlands	3	2	.600
Honaker	2	2	.500
Lebanon	2	2	.500
Cleveland	1	2	.333
Abingdon	1	2	.333
Grundy	1	2	.333
Chilhowie	1	3	.250
Rich Valley	0	1	.000
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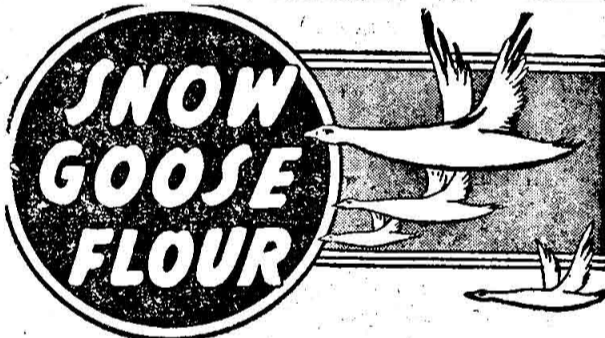


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Rural Retreat Boys Have New Coach For '53-54 Cage Season

The Rural Retreat boys' team will have a new coach at the helm for the 1953-54 basketball season in Charles Phillippi.

Mr. Phillippi is a 1953 Emory and Henry graduate. This will be his first year as a coach. Mr. Phillippi is a native of Sugar Grove. He attended school at Sugar Grove and Marion. While attending Sugar Grove he played basketball and baseball.

Sports Chatter

By Charles Martin

At a recent meeting held in Lebanon it was decided that the basketball tournament for District Seven will be held in Richlands this year. The proposal of holding the tournament at two different schools was entered at this meeting. This was a flop. The date for the tournament was set for the week ending March 6.

Saltville will be host to the district track meet to be held at Emory and Henry College. Saltville captured top honors at the past meet.

A meeting is to be held between the executive committees of District Seven and District Eight. The purpose of this meeting is not known, however, L. N. Dalton district chairman, believes that the closing date for the schools in each district will be set. This would prevent the champions of one district from loafing while waiting for the longer season of the other district to end.

Salem Bowling Team Tops Marion Team For Second Win

A Salem bowling team, consisting of some of the best bowlers in the leagues in Sal-

em, defeated the Marion bowling team in a three game series at Salem Sunday.

Salem bowled a smashing 2,632 against the 2,619 for Marion. Allen Frye led the Marion team with a 200 game and a 541 for the series. Other scores were Charlie Catron, 199 game and 540 series; Jim Buchanan, 533; J. T. Snider, 520; Edward Jasik, 490 and Marvin Johnson, 463.

Hodges was the big gun for Salem in the match. A return match will be held sometime during February at the Tenn-

eva Bowling Alleys in Bristol. In matches bowled to date between Marion and Salem, Salem holds the edge of two to one.

The Marion team is sponsored by Smyth County Motor Company of Marion.

John Northern Is At Helm of Saltville Shakers Basketball

John Northern, a native of Jefferson City, Tenn., is the new pilot for the Saltville Shakers basketball season in 1953-54.

Previous to his coaching at Saltville, Mr. Northern coached at Sulphur Springs, Tenn., for two years. He is the assistant coach in football and head coach in the loop game. Mr. Northern attended East Tennessee State College.

Serving in the Marines for three years, Mr. Northern spent two years of this time abroad.

The big hope for the coach this year is to better the past season's record of the Shakers. The Shakers won five games and lost 10. The Saltville team has won two and lost one in the new season this year.

MAC CLEAR ADDS ONE MORE TO HIS LONG LIST OF COONS

Mac Clear of the Rich Valley area was out again in the past week to add one more coon to his long list of 10 in the past season and the third in this season.

This one was the granddaddy of them all weighing about 25 pounds. After the loss of his dogs, Mr. Clear is making a good substitute in the two he is now using.

PARTY IS HELD IN SALTVILLE

Mrs. John Northern and Mrs. J. C. Smith of Saltville entertained recently with bridge and canasta.

In the bridge game prizes were won by Mrs. N. O. Williams and Miss Lulu Shannon. Mrs. J. C. Smith and Mrs. Ralph Comer were prize winners in canasta.

Mrs. George James was presented a shower of gifts.

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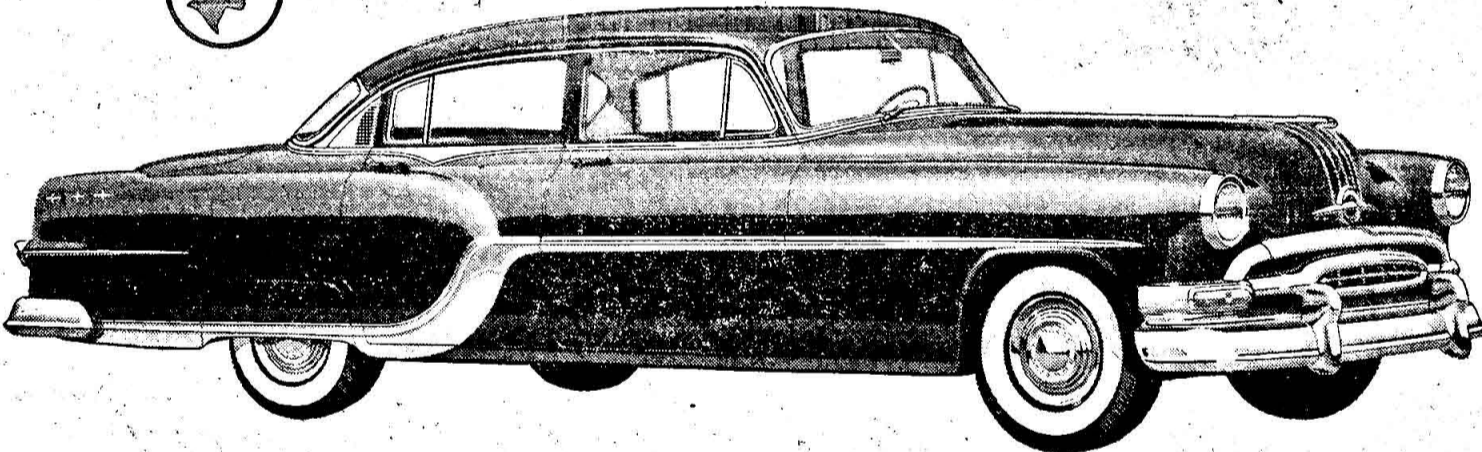
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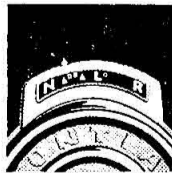
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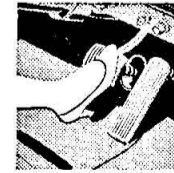
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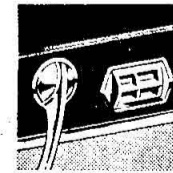
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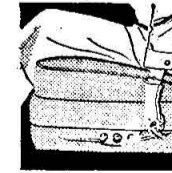
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NEWS of PEOPLE and CLUBS

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Marion Garden Club Gives Program At Meeting of Marion Junior Women

The program was given at the regular meeting of the Marion Junior Women's Club Friday night at the Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Cloyd Kent gave a demonstration on "Christmas Arrangements." The American home department with Mrs. William Hubble chairman had charge of the program.

Mrs. Robert Hunter, president, was in charge of the business meeting. Mrs. Hubble reported that the American home department is sending gifts to the adopted boy at Boy's Home. She also reported that the club sponsored another bake sale Saturday, Dec. 12.

The youth conservation department reported that they have started to work on the room in the Community Center for the teen-agers. The club has this as a project and they ask that anyone having any old furniture that could be used to please get in contact with Mrs. Richard Engard.

Miss Katherine Weindel, education and fine arts department chairman, announced that the Artmobile sponsored by the Virginia Federation of Women's Club's has been tentatively scheduled to be in Marion June 19, 20 and 21. Mrs. Sam Buchanan, communications department chairman,

reported that Dr. Campbell of the University of Virginia Extension will speak to the club in January. Mrs. Charles Snider, membership chairman, presented the club with 15 names to be voted into membership of the club. Mrs. Harold Vaught, chairman of the toy drive for underprivileged children, ask that anyone having toys to donate to please contact her and she will pick them up.

A nominating committee for next year's officers elected were: Mrs. Peyton Barnett, Mrs. Robert Hunter and Mrs. Warren Beville. Mrs. Hunter announced that either she or her appointee will attend the state board meeting to be held in Richmond January 18 and 19.

After the program the meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. George Kiser, Mrs. Charles Franzen, Mrs. William Hubble, Mrs. Jack Eggleston won the door prize. The executive board met at 7 o'clock before the regular meeting.

MR. AND MRS. WATSON TO HAVE OPEN HOUSE

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Watson of Route 1, Marion, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Saturday with open house.

Trout Dale Club Has Dinner Meet

Members of the Trout Dale Community Club and their guests had a dinner meeting last Saturday at Virginia House in Marion.

The table was lighted by candles and was decorated with miniature Christmas trees.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Jay Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McGrady, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Spence, Yonnie Jo Spencer, Mrs. E. R. Ball, Mrs. J. F. Pasley, Mrs. J. M. Snyder, Mrs. Earl Cornett and Mrs. Robert Kirby.

Mr. and Mrs. Bonham Entertain Club

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Bonham entertained the members of the Forget-Me-Not Club of Chilhowie and their guests with a rook party Thursday evening at their home in Chilhowie.

The Bonham home was decorated with outdoor Christmas lighting and indoor arrangements of poinsettias and Christmas decorations. Red carnations were used on each table.

High score prizes were won by Mrs. J. B. Cole and S. A. Cole. White elephant gifts were exchanged by the members and their guests.



PARTIES ARE GIVEN

chief pointed tulle skirt fell to waist length. Her fingertip veil of imported illusion was arranged from a pearlized tiara and she carried a white Bible topped with a royal bouquet orchid and showered with stephanotis.

Mrs. Edmond Dolpe of Norfolk was matron of honor and only attendant for the bride.

Charles Wilson Kello Jr. of Norfolk was best for his brother. The groomsmen were Floyd O. Elliott of Norfolk, brother of the bride, and Edmond Dolpe of Norfolk, brother-in-law of the bride.

The bride's mother wore a navy blue street length dress, matching accessories and a red rose corsage. The mother of the groom wore a toast brown crepe street length dress, brown accessories and a brandywine rose corsage.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Kello left for their wedding trip. Upon their return they will reside at 2411 Burges Court, Norfolk.

For traveling the bride wore a light gray wool suit, winter white hat, black accessories and a white orchid corsage.

Mrs. Leon Cole, A Recent Bride, Is Honored

Mrs. Leon Cole of Chilhowie, a recent bride, was the honor guest at a bridge party last Wednesday evening at the Southernaire with Mrs. Ray Merchant as hostess.

Mrs. James Bishop received the high score prize, Mrs. John Yeago, game and Mrs. David Via, low score prize.

Mrs. Cole received a guest gift.

Mrs. John Yeago entertained Friday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Cole, near Chilhowie with a bridge and canasta party honoring Mrs. Leon Cole.

In the bridge game the high score prize went to Mrs. M. M. Brown, second high to Mrs. Ray Merchant and game to Miss Betty Ruff.

Miss Mary Sue Copenhaver received the high score prize in the canasta game with low going to Miss Corliss Early. The honoree was given a shower of kitchen gifts.

AAUW Hears Mrs. Schiff, Dr. Delgado

Mrs. Walter S. Schiff and Dr. Primitivo Delgado told of Christmas in their homelands, Germany and Cuba, at the annual dinner of the Smyth County Branch of the American Association of University Women Monday night in the Marion High School lunch room.

Both Mrs. Schiff and Dr. Delgado told of the Christmas customs peculiar to their native lands and pointed out the differences in Christmas observances here and there.

Mrs. John R. Fenyk presided over the meeting, at which members discussed the possibility of securing a literary speaker in addition to the four foreign affairs forums the branch is jointly sponsoring with the University of Virginia Extension Service and the Marion Rotary Club. Members also authorized issuing a check for \$100 to the University Extension Service for the 100 tickets the branch agreed to sell.

Miss Elliott Announces Wedding Plans

Miss Patricia Imogene Elliott, granddaughter of Mrs. Maude Cornett of Marion, will be married to George Allen Walker at 2:30 p. m. Dec. 26 at the Inskip Methodist Church at Fountain City, Tenn.

Her mother, Mrs. Virginia Cornett Roberts, will have a reception immediately following the ceremony at the Whitte Springs Hotel.

Miss Elliott is a graduate of Rural Retreat High School, where she was president of the senior class and head cheerleader. She took nurse's training at Knoxville General Hospital, Knoxville, Tenn.

MRS. GILLENWATER ENTERTAINS CLUB

Mrs. L. S. Gillenwater was hostess to the Triangle Bridge Club Tuesday evening at her home in Chilhowie.

Christmas decorations, including holly and ornaments, were used at the tables and throughout the house.

Mrs. A. B. Farmer received the high score prize, Mrs. John DeBusk Jr., second high prize and Mrs. George Maust, game prize. Miss Mary Payne Copenhaver received a guest prize.

Christmas gifts were exchanged by the club members.

Mrs. DeBord is the teacher of the primary grades in the school. She is the former Miss Maidie Allison of Saltville.

MCCARTY-DANIELS

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Daniels of Marion announce the marriage of their daughter, DeLores, to Alfred D. McCarty of Princeton, W. Va., son of Mrs. A. H. Carbaugh of Princeton.

The wedding took place at Fort Bragg, N. C., Nov. 30.

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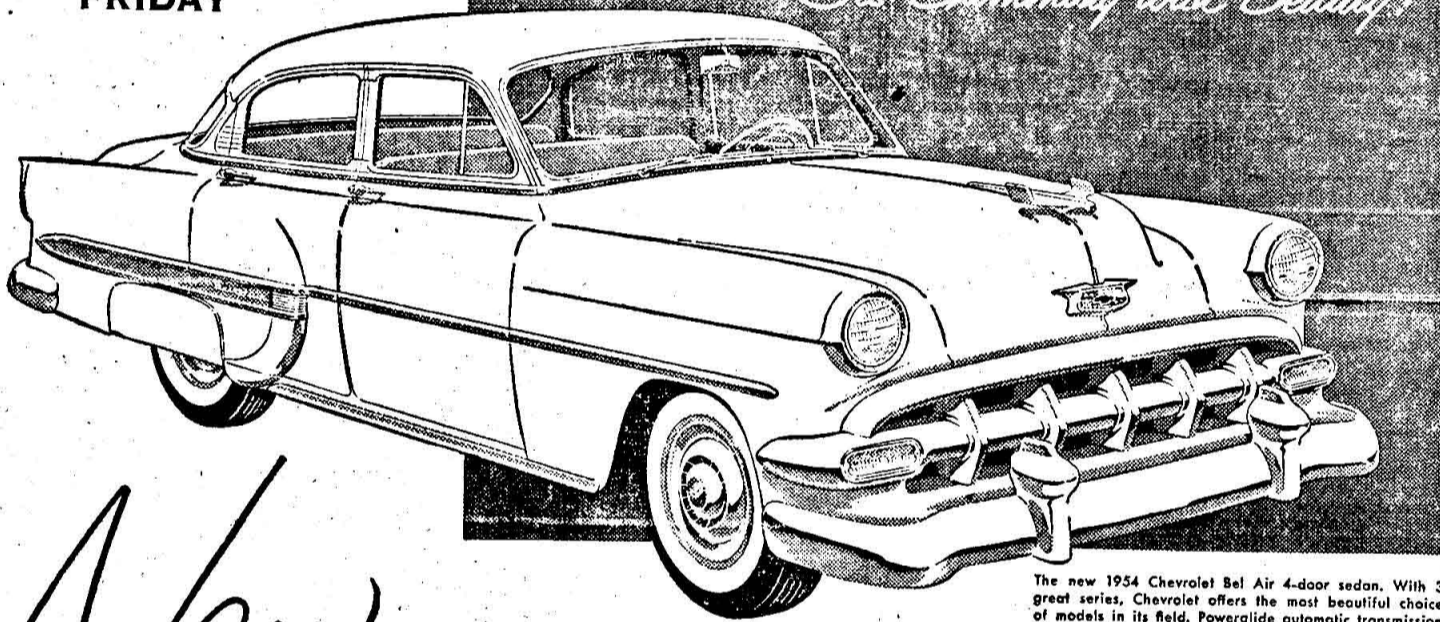
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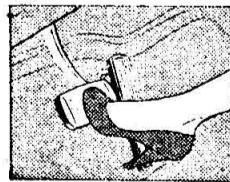
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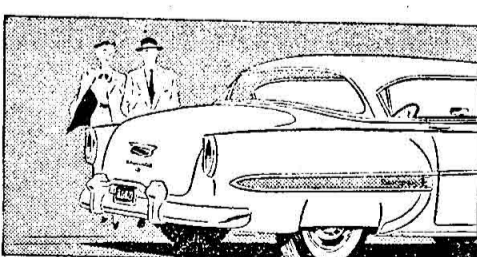
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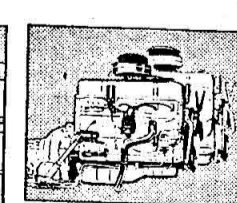
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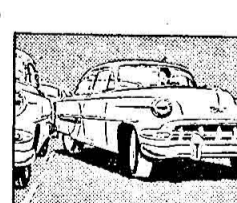
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Church News

Madam Russell WSCS Meets at Church

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Madam Russell Methodist Church in Saltville met recently at the church with Mrs. J. C. Smith, chairman of Circle 2, as program leader.

Mrs. Smith gave the devotional on "For Unto Us a Child Is Given." Mrs. A. C. Smith, Miss Margaret Diggs and Mrs. George Clear gave a program on "Gracious Gifts Are Given."

Reports from the conference minutes were given by Miss Lula Shannon, Miss Marion Warren, Mrs. V. T. Rector and Mrs. J. M. Archer.

Mrs. W. W. Brickey closed the meeting with prayer.

Play to Be Given At First Church of God Wednesday

A play entitled "To Them That Sit in Darkness" will be presented at the First Church of God in Allison Gap next Wednesday at 7 p. m. with Mrs. Bus Wassum in charge.

This is the fourth in a series of special programs presented by the local Woman's Missionary Society.

This week the program was on Tuesday night with Mrs. Howard Arnold in charge. December 15 being the day for the State of Virginia to participate in a 12-day prayer vigil preceding Christmas, emphasis was placed upon this in the church at Allison Gap, and the play "A Gift for The Christ Child" was given.

Following the play, a march offering was brought and placed near the "manger scene," this offering specified as the annual "Christ's Birthday Offering" for World Missions.

The children of the beginner, primary and junior classes will participate in a Christmas program at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, Dec. 20. Miss Eula Lee Haynes, teacher of the primaries, is in charge of the program, and is being assisted by the other two teachers in these departments, Mrs. J. H. Call and Miss Thelma Swartz.

Full Gospel Church Members Will Have Yule Program Tuesday

A Christmas program will be held at the Full Gospel Church in Chilhowie Tuesday evening at 7:30, under the direction of Mrs. J. D. Porter.

The congregation plans to have the program in the new church, if completed. If not completed, the program will be held at the Middle Fork Baptist Church.

Christmas Services Are Planned At Nazarene Church

The Rev. C. H. Strong, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, Marion, announces that Bible School and the children's Christmas service will be held at the church this coming Sunday from 10 a. m. til 11:30.

At 7:30 that evening a Christmas program will be held.

Christmas Play Will Be Given at Church of God This Sunday

The Rev. J. L. Hathcock announces that a Christmas program will be given at the Church of God on Spruce Street, Marion, this Sunday evening.

A play entitled "The Star That Shined in Darkness" will be given at 7:30.

Methodist Men In Saltville Have Dinner

The Methodist Men's Club of the Madam Russell Methodist Church of Saltville met last week for the regular dinner meeting with the Boy Scouts of Saltville as guests.

Mr. Taft of Bristol, guest speaker, presented the scout charter to John Northern, scout master.

Mrs. Sessor Is Hostess To Church Group

Mrs. C. W. Sessor was hostess to the Ladies Aid Society of the Main Street Christian Church of Saltville at its December meeting.

The lesson "Christmas Meditation" was led by Mrs. S. E. Cahill. Miss Elizabeth Clark gave the scripture reading from Luke, second chapter.

Several readings were given by other members. During the business session it was decided to fix a Christmas basket for a needy family.

A social hour was enjoyed and the hostesses served refreshments. Gifts were exchanged. A special gift was given Mrs. Enoch Frye. There were 19 members present.

The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. S. E. Cahill.

"Light of Life" Will be Given At Saltville Union

"The Light of Life," a candlelighting service, arranged by Katy Lee Monk, will be presented at the Saltville Union Church this Sunday evening at 7:30.

Mrs. W. P. McCready and Mrs. C. S. Horne will be in charge of the service and Mrs. C. C. Hatfield will be in charge of the music.

The public is invited to attend.

Christmas Program Is Planned At East End Church

A Christmas program will be given at the East End Baptist Church Tuesday evening at 7:30.

The public is invited to attend this program by the pastor, the Rev. G. R. Blackburn.

Sunday School will be held at 9:45 this Sunday morning with the morning worship at 11. The sermon topic will be "A Telegram from Glory" taken from Luke 2:10.

The training union of the church will meet at 6:30 p. m. with the evening worship at 7:30. The sermon topic will be "The Wisdom of the Wise Men," taken from Matt. 2:1-12.

Yule Activities Are Planned at Mt. Pleasant Church

The Rev. W. S. Golden, pastor of the Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church in Marion, announces that a Christmas pageant by Mattie Shannon "The Star Lighted Path" will be given by the members of the church school this Sunday evening at 7:30.

Church school will be held at 10 a. m. Sunday with morning worship at 11. The topic of the sermon will be "Christ Is Born, a King."

Mrs. Evelyn Lawrence will be in charge of the youth fellowship meeting at 6 p. m.

The Rev. W. M. Shelton will be in charge of the mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Christmas Day a morning worship service will be held at 11 a. m.

Church school will be held Sunday, Dec. 27, at 10 a. m. with morning worship at 11.

At 7:30 the evening of December 27 Mrs. Lawrence will be in charge of the Christmas program, which will be held in observance of Student Recognition Day. The young people of the church will participate.

Grace Methodist Will Be Scene Of Christmas Services

Herbert Kelsey, pastor of the Grace Methodist Church in Marion, announces that he will be in charge of the morning worship service at the church this Sunday morning at 11.

The topic of his sermon will be "The Christmas Gift."

A candlelight and carol service will be held at the church this Sunday evening at 7:30. The choir and MYF will be in charge.

The Christmas party for members of the Sunday School will be held this coming Tuesday evening at 7:30.

Chargewide WSCS To Meet December 22

The Broadford Chargewide WSCS will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday evening, Dec. 22, 7:30 p. m. at Roberts' Chapel, Broadford.

The WSCS of the Chatham Hill church will be in charge of the program.

All women from the eight churches on the charge are urged to attend.

Mrs. Harry Fouse Is Hostess to WMS

The WMS of the East End Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Harry Fouse Dec. 3 for prayer services and the Lottie Moon Christmas program.

Those taking part on the program were Mrs. Herbert Campbell, Mrs. Charlie Johnson, Mrs. Joe Pugh, Mrs. Ray Barr, Mrs. Helen Pruitt, Mrs. Howard Broskie, Mrs. Pat Patrick and Mrs. C. E. Elkins.

Mrs. Charn Clark Is Hostess To Church Group

Mrs. Charn Clark was hostess to the Woman's Missionary Society of the St. James Lutheran Church Wednesday evening.

"Keeping Watch" was the topic of the program which was led by Mrs. Sam Mountain. She was assisted by Mrs. Parker St. John, Mrs. Clark, Miss Gladys Troxell and Mrs. Roy Duncan.

Plans were made for the annual Christmas party, which will be held at the home of Mrs. Hugh McKee Jones in Chilhowie.

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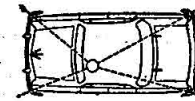


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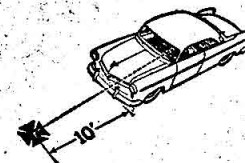
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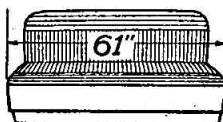
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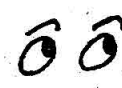
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Mrs. Phillippi Leads Circle

"For Unto Us a Child Is Born" was the topic of the program studied by the Sally Grever Circle of the Chilhowie WSCS at its December meeting.

Mrs. M. C. Phillippi was in charge of the program with the devotions being given by Mrs. P. F. Wender.

The meeting was held at the church with Mrs. Nelson Grever and Mrs. Ernest Grever as hostesses.

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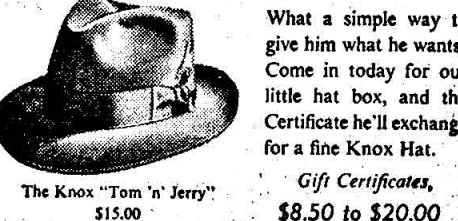


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Mt. Pleasant Group Will Have Yule Program December 17

The Mt. Pleasant WSCS will give its annual Christmas party December 17 at the home of Mrs. Susie Thompson on Broadway. Special guests will be the Methodist Men and their wives. A Christmas worship service will be held. Refreshments will be served and gifts will be exchanged.

For Chilhowie Christian Church

Officers for the coming year were elected at a meeting of the Board of Elders and Deacons of the Chilhowie Christian Church December 13. They are: John Lewis, chairman of the board; Kyle Heffinger, vice chairman; Jack D. Wheeler, secretary; Verlin Bland, treasurer; Mrs. Lake H. Mink, clerk.

C. Ross Ritchie Will Conduct A Service Sunday

Dr. C. Ross Ritchie of Konnarock will have charge of the service at Ebenezer Lutheran Church, Dec. 20, at 11 a. m. The public is invited.

Services Given For South Fork Church

Sunday School will begin at 10 a. m. this Sunday at the South Fork Baptist church. The Rev. O. N. Blankenbeller, pastor, will conduct preaching service at 7:30 this Sunday evening. Prayer service begins at 7 p. m. each Thursday at the church and are also conducted by the pastor. The GA's will meet Friday night at 7 o'clock with Carol Jean Blevins for the Christmas program.

East End Baptist GA's Have Meeting

The Intermediate GA's of the East End Baptist Church met at the home of Miss Carolyn Sutherland Dec. 3 at 7 o'clock

for the mission study book "As Others See Us", which was taught by Mrs. Ray Barr. The Lottie Moon Christmas offering was taken and refreshments were served by the hostesses. All members were present. CANNON ARRIVES IN KOREA FOR ARMY DUTY
Pvt. John L. Cannon, 18, son of T. P. Cannon, Rt. 2, Saltville, recently arrived in Korea for duty with X Corps 4th Signal Battalion. Cannon, a pole lineman, entered the Army last May and completed basic training at Camp Breckinridge, Ky. He is a former student at Saltville High School and lineman for the Inter-Mountain Telephone Co., Bristol, Tenn.

Saltville Union Church Plans Yule Programs

The Saltville Union Church Christian Sunday worship service will be conducted Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Dr. Edgar A. Vallant, pastor of the Saltville Baptist Church, will be in charge and will bring the message on the subject "Whose Birthday Is It?"

Mrs. Berkley Henderson will be the soloist with other special music being furnished by the church choir and a special girls' choir.

The Union Sunday School will be conducted at 10 a. m. with Luroy C. Krumwiede presiding as superintendent.

A Christmas play will be given by Miss Maiden Webb's class Tuesday evening at 7:30. This play will be under the direction of Mrs. David Schwartz, Mrs. James Austin and Miss Charlotte Chapman. There will also be recitations by the primary classes.

Santa Claus will be present to give out the gifts and treats.

Main Street Church In Saltville Plans Christmas Program

The children of the Main Street Christian Church in Saltville will present their annual Christmas program Dec. 22 at 7:30.

Miss Elizabeth Clark and Mrs. W. W. Brickey will be the directors.

Pastor E. Roy Arnold will be in charge of a service at 7:30 Sunday evening. The topic of his sermon will be "Born a King, Died a King, Lives a King."

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Man Gets 10 Days For Driving While License Revoked

In Trial Justice Court Saturday morning Herbert Hoover Blise was given 10 days in jail and fined \$10 and costs, fine suspended upon payment of costs and serving of sentence, for driving after his license had been revoked. Deputy Jim Richardson was the arresting officer.

Mary Harris Craigo and Claude Arden were fined \$10 and costs and \$25 and costs respectively for illicit co-habitation. Trooper S. M. Norris was the investigating officer. Both the accused said that they were so drunk that they did not know what happened.

Three men were fined \$10 and costs for gambling. A fourth was found not guilty when the other three testified that he was only watching the game.

Lester Early Sowers, Salem, pled guilty to speeding and driving without an operator's permit. The case was continued to Dec. 30, with Judge W. V. Birchfield instructing the man to get a driver's license before that time and send it to the court, in which case the fine on each count will be \$10 and costs.

Three people, charged with passing a school bus, had their cases dismissed when testimony showed that they had waited

until the children had unloaded and had exercised extreme caution in passing.

A case charging three youths with assisting a prisoner to escape from Southwestern State Hospital was continued to Dec. 16.

The case of the two youths charged with stealing tools from the M. F. Page home was continued to Jan. 30, with the older one being told to enlist in the armed forces immediately after his 18th birthday, which will come before Jan. 30.

A Chilhowie man paid a \$10 and costs fine for speeding.

A woman charged with deserting her child was turned over to the Welfare Department. She had left the child with her mother and gone to Baltimore, Md., where she lived to get a warrant for non-support against her husband. Judge Birchfield stated that the Smyth warrant never should have been taken, as the woman had consulted J. F. Ward of the Welfare Department, before going back to Baltimore.

OAK POINT JUNIOR 4-H CLUB MEETS

The Oak Point Junior 4-H Club met December 7 at Oak Point School.

The project for the year is "Sewing." Mrs. Holman and Mrs. H. D. McClellan will help with the 4-H Club this year.

4th Annual Concert Presented at Marion High School Monday

The fourth annual Christmas concert was presented at Marion High School Monday by the high school band and the school choral classes.

The program consisted of six songs by the Intermediate School Chorus, five songs by the Junior Chorus and two numbers by the Senior chorus. The band was under the direction of Joseph R. Ervin and the three school choruses were under the direction of Miss Betty Ruff.

There were an estimated 600 people attending the largest concert in the history of the event.

SENIOR 4-H CLUB OF OAK POINT SCHOOL HAS MEET

The Senior 4-H Club of the Oak Point School met Dec. 7 in the lunch room at the school at 2 p. m.

The group had a discussion and work was begun on skirts the girls are making. Mrs. H. D. McClellan and Mrs. Bill Holman were elected as leaders for the group for the coming year.

The next meeting will be held at the school lunch room at 2 p. m. Jan. 4.

Who's Who in Smyth



The idea of being on the wrong end of things would be most depressing for most people, however DR. EARNEST V. GREEVER, 57, of Chilhowie, seems to make the best of anything.

Dr. Greever was born in Chilhowie, about 500 yards from where he now lives, and does not think too much about the business failures he has been involved in. He recalls that back in 1929 he and some of his friends operated a movie theatre in Chilhowie for the small population. This was not bad until the unexpected happened. "Business was fine until the Lincolns opened a sound movie theatre in Marion, and then the business dropped so fast that I could not get out quick enough," Dr. Greever said. Those that could afford to see a movie traveled to Marion. He remembered one movie that was sold on a percentage basis and was to run for two days. During the two day period \$7 was made. The movie company netted \$3.50 and the Greever theatre netted the same. "There was no more worry about having a percentage movie sent to Chilhowie after that," was Dr. Greever's comment. The only people in the theatre, when business became slow, was the operator and his wife and Dr. Greever. S. A. Cole was one of Dr. Greever's partners in the theatre business.

Quickly closing down the theatre business, and partly recovering, Dr. Greever started a floral business around 1930 and in Emory he started a book store. His book business was good during the winter months, however during the summer months he said that the operating expense was too great. "On a good day we would take in about \$12 and the expense to operate for that day would be \$25," Dr. Greever remained in this business for about six years.

In 1942 he turned to the manufacturing of insecticides in Chilhowie. Dr. Greever has led the field in many cures and has saved the farmer money. He was first in many fields, in one he sold his cure for eight cents a dose and a leading manufacture came out with the same product for 22 cents a dose. This business is still operating near his home.

With most of the other business behind him, Dr. Greever prides himself on his drug business. He is one of the oldest druggists in our section of Virginia. Dr. Greever started in this business in 1920, following his return from the Navy during the first World War. Dr. Greever's activities have been limited for the past two years due to his heart condition. He now works about four hours each day, but is still as cheerful as he ever was.

Being ever ready to help, Dr. Greever is one of the top citizens of Chilhowie. He has paid the way through college for a number of youths. During the Christmas season, Dr. Greever would always take the lead in helping the needy people of the community. He has worked with the young people of his church for a number of years and people think of him as a wide awake person. Ahis has been so all through his life. Dr. Greever is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Greever. He attended grammar and high school at Chilhowie and then attended Emory and Henry for one year. He completed his training at Virginia Medical College in 1917. He entered the Navy in the summer of 1918 and served one year in the hospital. Corp. He then returned to Chilhowie and bought his drug business and married Nell Sydnor.

Dr. Greever is a member of the Chilhowie Methodist Church and has held about every office in the church. He is a member of the Board of Stewards and chairman of the board of trustees at present. He also belongs to the Masonic Lodge and the Chamber of Commerce. His heart condition has curtailed his activities and limited his belonging to the many organizations that he was a part of in the past.

When the community fair was an annual event in the life of Chilhowie, Dr. Greever was the first president for this organization. When he was younger he helped with a musical show made up of local talent, held in Chilhowie each summer.

Saltville High School

NANCY KELLY

THE FHA had a meeting Nov. 24 at fourth period in room 5.

The devotions was led by Frances Marshall. They had a lot of business to discuss and parties to plan. Committees were appointed to work on certain projects and the girls drew names.

THE BETA CLUB had a meeting Nov. 24 at sixth period in Room 10. This meeting was for the old members. They had another meeting for the old members Friday, Dec. 4, at 8:30 a. m.

THE SENIORS had a bake sale Saturday, Dec. 5, in front of the Mathieson General Stores from 9 o'clock until 12 o'clock.

ASSEMBLY — The high school and grade school were entertained by the Southeast School Assembly Program Dec. 7 at sixth period.

Currin Valley and Attaway

MRS. ZOLLIE V. FOWLER

Dec. 15 — Mr. and Mrs. Ted Grinstead had as Sunday visitors recently her father, Mr. Anderson, of Trout Dale and other relatives of Marion. Mrs. Grinstead's mother has been ill in a Charlottesville hospital.

Charles and Betty Will Rupard spent a recent week end at home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rupard, and grandfather, the Rev. Mr. Shelton.

Miss Fay Taylor, a rheumatic fever patient at Medical College in Richmond, underwent a minor foot operation recently due to a childhood defect of the foot.

Miss Joan Cline, a student of the Komarock Training School, spent the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Waddell.

Mrs. Charlie Hutton returned from Marion General hospital Friday after a few days medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jones and family of Roanoke visited relatives recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Privitt and family of Baltimore, Md., were recent visitors of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Thomas and family of Alexandria visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cale, recently. They were accompanied home by Roy Cale, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Cale.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Eblins and son, Scott, were Sunday evening visitors of the Paul Fowler family.

Betty and Bobby Sexton, twin daughters of Mrs. C. C. Cook of Marion, spent the week end with their sister, Miss Fredia Sexton.

Government Row

MRS. ALBERT SMITH

Government Row, Dec. 15 — Last Friday at the home of Mrs. Barney Sturgill a shower was given for Mrs. Jim Hess. She received many gifts. Edgar Sanders, who attends VPI, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sanders. Miss Violet Allison of Perryville was a guest in the Sanders home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cassell of Rockville, Md., spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Cassell. Millard Taylor recently spent a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Taylor.

Mrs. Wesley Hill and children of Blacksburg, Mrs. Edd Coe and daughter and Mrs. Marion.

James Call and son of Beaver Creek spent last Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Hamel Taylor.

Last Saturday Mrs. John Nichols gave a shower honoring Mrs. Jim Nichols. Mrs. Millard Davidson and small children spent last week end in Marion visiting her daughters.

Mrs. George Davidson and daughter and Mrs. Bessie Davidson visited relatives in White Gate last Sunday.

Pvt. Robert Poston of Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., spent this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mac Poston.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Coe and family were Mr. and Mrs. Sexton Coe of Allison Gap, Mrs. Berl Hagler and children of Bristol, Md. and Mrs. Bill Coe and Brenda of Abingdon and Jack Coe of Marion.

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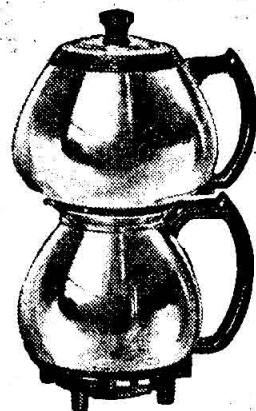
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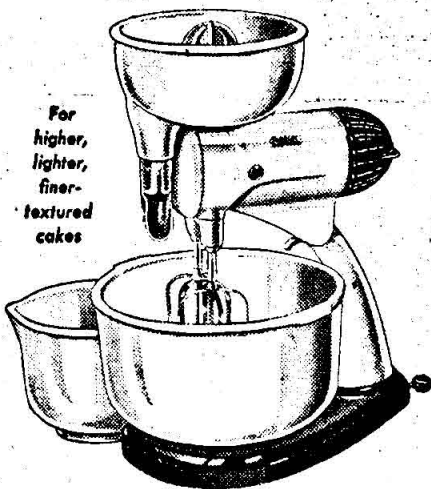
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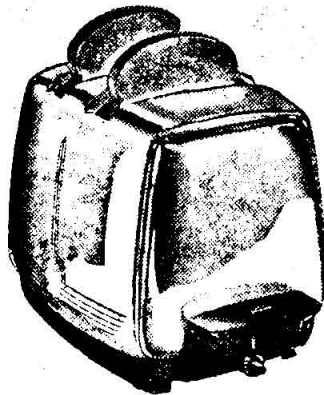
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Saltville, Dec. 16 — Mrs. George Bryant is a patient in the George Ben Johnston Hospital in Abingdon.

G. F. Campbell is a patient in a hospital in Charlottesville.

Mrs. Charles Barker and grandson, Brad Hail, spent Thursday of last with Mrs. Roy Maiden of McCready.

Boyd Morgan and John York, who are attending VPI,

are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Morgan Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph York.

S-Sgt. John L. Sneed of Pope Field Air Force Base N. C., is spending a furlough with his brother, A. M. Sexton.

MCCLELLAN ATTENDS CHICAGO CONVENTION

H. D. McClellan will return this Friday from Chicago, Ill., where he has been representing the Smyth County Farm Bureau as delegates to the American Farm Bureau Annual Convention.

The Virginia delegation was to be housed at the Morrison Hotel.

YONTZ IS SERVING IN MEDITERRANEAN

With the U. S. Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean is Fred T. Yontz, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Garland T. Yontz and husband of Mrs. Fred Yontz all of Saltville, aboard the attack transport USS Fremont.

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Lions Schedule Theater Party At Saltville

The Saltville-Rich Valley Lions Club, in co-operation with the Salt Theatre, will hold a Christmas movie program Saturday morning at the theatre.

Festivities will begin at 10 a. m., with a feature picture, cartoon and comedy. Admission for all children will be a can or jar of food.

Food collected will be used in making up Christmas baskets to be distributed throughout the area to needy families.

All school children, regardless of age, from schools in Plasterco, Clinchburg, Saltville, Quarry, Allison Gap, McCready, North Holston, Broadford and in Rich Valley are invited.

Dairymen To Have Roanoke Meetings

The Virginia State Dairymen's Association has scheduled its annual winter meeting for January 21 and 22 in Roanoke.

Also of interest to dairymen will be the annual meetings of the state breed associations January 20, and of the State Dairy Products Association January 18 and 19, all of Roanoke.

Dr. T. K. McKee Is Honored On 80th Birthday

The Mathieson Chemical Corporation in Saltville entertained with a dinner December 3 honoring Dr. Thomas K. McKee on his 80th birthday.

Dr. McKee was for many years the head of the hospital which bears his name. He has been retired for about two years.

There was approximately 125 guests present. These included retired workers of the Mathieson plant and several other guests.

Saltville Garden Club Has December Meeting at Church

The December meeting of the Saltville Garden Club was held in the activities building of Madam Russell Methodist Church on Thursday, Dec. 10, with Mrs. J. Q. Peeples in charge.

The room was attractively decorated with Christmas greens, lights, and a tree around which beautifully wrapped packages were grouped.

Mrs. Hedley Craft told a most entertaining Christmas story "One Christmas Eve." The club voted to send \$5 to the Crippled Children's Home in Richmond.

Various members brought Christmas arrangements which were distributed to shut-ins.

Christmas carols were played during the exchange of gifts. Mrs. E. A. Valiant received a prize for the most artistically wrapped package.

The hostesses, Mrs. D. R. Henderson, Mrs. J. Q. Peeples, and Mrs. H. L. Craft, served refreshments.

Saltville 4-H Club Holds Annual Christmas Party

The Saltville 4-H Club held its annual Christmas party Friday evening at the home of Joann Cahill.

Mrs. W. J. Totten was presented a special gift at this meeting for her service with the club.

The Christmas games played were led by the recreation chairman, Donna Haynes. The group sang Christmas carols and exchanged gifts.

June Totten, Donna Haynes, Phyllis Charman and Helen Williams received gifts for outstanding work in the club. The meeting was concluded with the song of "Silent Night" with each member holding a flaming sparkler.

BOONE ATTENDS SIGNAL CORPS LEADER'S COURSE

Kyle C. Boone, husband of Mrs. Kyle C. Boone, 512 Park Blvd., Marion, has been selected to attend the Leadership School at the Southeastern Signal School at Camp Gordon, Ga.

The leader's course in which Pvt. Boone is enrolled is the only course of its type in the Signal Corps. It has been established to enable the Signal Corps to select potential leaders early in their military careers and to develop their capacity for leadership. Here specially selected enlisted men go through eight weeks of the most intensive training.

Saltville UDC Holds Christmas Program

The Saltville Preston Chapter of the UDC met December 9 in Glade Spring with Mrs. J. A. Williams at which time the Christmas program was presented.

The December meetings are the highlights of the year for the UDC programs. At this meeting 12 members and seven visitors were present.

The program consisted of the singing of Christmas carols by the group. "O Come All Ye Faithful", "There's A Song In The Air" and "While Shepherds Watched" were some of the songs. The scripture lesson was taken from the book of Luke. The "Cradle Song" was an organ solo by Mrs. Charles Ritchie and "Jingle Bells," a piano solo, was played by Mary Preston Hutton. "Silent Night" and "I Saw Mamma Kissing Santa" was sung by Patricia McCready, Mary Preston Hutton and Jim Hutton. "Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer" was sung by Jim Hutton.

Other parts of the program was a piano solo of "Jess Bambino" by Patricia McCready and the story of "The Little Serving Maid" by Grace Nell Crowell. Refreshments were served and the meeting concluded by the singing of "Joy to the World."

"The Everlasting Light" To Be Presented At The Rich Valley School

A Christmas pageant, "The Everlasting Light", given under the direction of the dramatics department and the music department, will be presented this Thursday night at 8 p. m. at the Rich Valley High School.

Three choirs, the primary, intermediate and the high school, will form the background for the pageant. The four scenes are taken from the birth of Christ. Approximately 120 students will participate in this program. Special lighting is being worked out by a committee of high school teachers.

The dramatics department is under the direction of Mrs. M. M. Lewis and the music department under the direction of Mr. Ella Mae Roberts. Glenna DeBord is in charge of the costumes. Elementary teachers are assisting in training the singing groups.



PVT. JAMES E. COE JR. entered service July 30, 1953, and was sent from Fort Meade, Md., to Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., soon after where he took all his training. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Coe of Route 1, Saltville. His address is: Pvt. James E. Coe Jr., US 52342040, 146th Signal Co., 6th Armd. Div., Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Saltville Kiwanis Club Holds Annual Charter Night

The Kiwanis Club of Saltville held its 11th annual Charter night anniversary dinner meeting at the Saltville High School auditorium Thursday night.

The meeting was attended by 103 Kiwanians and their guests from Saltville, Marion and Abingdon. Pat Jennings, Marion, was toastmaster for the occasion. Dr. E. A. Valiant gave the invocation.

A musical program was presented by Ruth Littleton, Barbara Booher, Nell Combs and Sue Sanders, Abingdon; Mrs. Russell Salyer, Ilo Herschier and Mrs. Herschier, Meadowview. The four year old Ilo Herschier captured the large audience with her version of "I Saw Mamma Kissing Santa Claus."

The meeting was concluded with group singing of Christmas carols.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WILL BE HELD AT DOWELL'S CHAPEL

A Christmas program, sponsored by the Church of God of Prophecy, will be held at Dowell's Chapel at Saltville Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 7:30 p. m. The pastor, Mrs. Leona Burchette, will be in charge.

Rich Valley High School

ARLENE ODUM

A CALL MEETING of the Beta Club was held on the stage recently for the purpose of discussing the plans for buying Christmas presents for two underprivileged children. This was one of the club's projects for the year. The regular meeting was held Dec. 15, as six weeks tests were being given on the regular meeting day. Gifts were presented to the two selected boys at this time.

SENIOR and group pictures were taken Dec. 4. Basketball squads were not taken at this time due to the late season. These will be taken shortly after Christmas.

SADIE BRICKEY, a senior, was appointed basketball manager of the girls' team. This is her second year as manager.

LIASSO STAFF members met Dec. 2. Mrs. M. M. Lewis gave a report on the ads taken from merchants in Saltville and Marion areas. Plans for the annual were discussed. Refreshments were served by several girls.

GUIDANCE CLASSES met and discussed problems selected by their director Dec. 2.

F. M. EVERSOLE's freshmen class won the November attendance with a 93.38 average. This is the second time they have achieved this honor.

THE FIFTH GRADE ranked first in attendance among the elementary grades with an average of 95.53. They will be honored by taking a half hour off and going to the store.

SENIOR CLASS took the ACE tests, which are given to high school seniors in Virginia annually, recently.

FFA CLUB members initiated 29 new members Dec. 8. At this time a motion was made that each member should bring 50c or 50c worth of goods to be distributed to needy families at Christmas.

THE LONG awaited Senior rings were presented to 36 of the seniors Dec. 11. The others will receive their rings in February. R. M. Buchanan, principal, gave a talk on the meaning of a class ring.

JUNIOR D CLASS presented as their assembly program Dec. 10, "The Dragnet" as it appears at Rich Valley High School.

"Peck's Bad Boy With The Circus," sponsored by the Lasso Staff, was shown to the high school and elementary students Friday, Dec. 11.

MARION VFW GROUP TO ATTEND MEETING

Members of Francis Marion Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will go to Bristol this Saturday, to attend a meeting in honor of the national commander, Wayne E. Richards.

Commander Richards is making two stops in this area while touring the country for official visits. Sunday he will be in Roanoke.

The Bristol meeting will begin at noon Saturday with a parade. This will be followed by a huge Christmas party at Rebel's Retreat, a banquet that night and a dance.

SALTVILLE ETA CLUB HOLDS PARTY

The Saltville High School Beta Club held a party at the high school gym Friday night at 8 p. m.

The new member of the club received their certificates and pins followed by a candlelight ceremony. Some of the old members and officers of the club gave speeches. The evening was filled out with dancing and refreshments.

The club is sponsored by Miss Ruth Gates and Mrs. Eva Ballah.



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Chilhowie, Dec. 14 — Mr. and Mrs. William Campbell, accompanied by Miss Martha Triplett, Tommy Triplett and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ross of Bristol, recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Ross at Lenoir, N. C.

Mrs. George Heath and son were week-end guests of her sister, Mrs. W. R. Patrick, and Mr. Patrick in Bristol.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bonham have returned home after spending several days in Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. W. G. Echols Jr. was the guest last week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith, in Jenkins, Ky.

Mrs. Lora McClure has returned home after spending several days with Dr. and Mrs. Dean Cole in Richmond.

Miss Jean McClure, a student at Radford College, is spending the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. Lora McClure.

Miss Nancy Wolfe, also a student at Radford College, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Wolfe.

Mrs. Jack Thompson and children, accompanied by Miss Phyllis Simpkins, spent the week end in Erwin, Tenn., where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson.

Jackie Dean Cole of Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greever have been recent guests of Dr. and Mrs. Dean Cole in Richmond.

A. B. Farmer and daughters, Ann and Porter, attended the regular concert at the Wytheville School Auditorium Tuesday evening.

day evening.

Mrs. John Lynch Sanders attended the funeral of Dr. William T. Graham, well known physician of Richmond, in Wytheville Monday.

Students home from VPI for the holidays include Clyde Minnick, David Bonham and A. L. Eller Jr.

Miss Betsy Sanders was the week-end guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Alderson, in Lebanon.

George Rogers has returned to Newport News after spending several days with his family.

Mrs. W. T. Smith returned home Monday after being a patient in the Jones Hospital in Johnson City, Tenn.

FARM MACHINERY CLASS IS NOW IN PROGRESS

The farm machinery repair class is now in operation at the agriculture building of the Sugar Grove High School.

The class is open each Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7 to 10 p. m. and will be in operation for 10 weeks.

All farmers are urged to take advantage of this opportunity to get their farm machinery in good condition for the coming work season.

There is no charge except for parts used.

GIRL SCOUTS TO HAVE CEREMONY

The Marion Girl Scout Troop 5 will have an Investiture ceremony at the Community Center building this Thursday evening at 7:30.

Mrs. M. C. Townsend is leader of this troop with Mrs. J. C. King as co-leader.

The girls will receive badges, making them official girl scouts, having fulfilled their tenderfoot requirements

Williams Gets Decoration For Korean Service

Harry S. Williams, Box 31, Chilhowie, has received the Army's Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious service in Korea.

Now a civilian, Williams was decorated for the period April 28 to June 5, 1953, while a Sergeant First Class in the 224th Infantry Regiment, 40th Infantry Division. He is now a member of the U S Army Reserve.

The citation reads, in part, "As platoon sergeant he worked long and tedious hours in order to complete the sector of the defensive line occupied by his company. Through his resourcefulness and outstanding leadership, the fortifications and installations were quickly and expertly constructed.

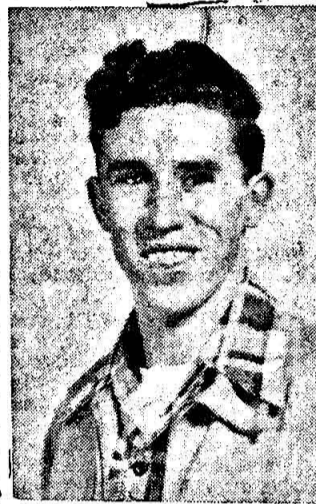
"Sergeant Williams' disregarding his own safety, went into known minefields many times to reconnoiter and improve the defense of the sector. As a result of the outstanding initiative shown by him, the vital defensive sector was completed in a minimum of time, thus contributing greatly to the defense of his unit." Since Mr. Williams did not wish to receive the medal in a ceremony, it is being sent to him by registered mail by the Virginia Military District.

Yule Program Is Scheduled At Chilhowie

A Christmas program will be given at the Chilhowie High School auditorium this Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

This will also serve as the regular PTA meeting.

About 150 pupils of the elementary grades will present the Christmas program and there will also be several selections given by the high school chorus.



GARLAND LEE COLLINS left for the armed services last Thursday morning. Collins volunteered and filled Smyth County's call for the month of December.

SMYTH STUDENTS MAKE AND HONOR ROLL

Four Smyth County students were listed on the Emory and Henry honor roll issued at mid-semester.

Those on the dean's list with all A's were Reuben W. Blevins Jr., of Marion, and Mrs. Grace Anderson Martin of Chilhowie.

Those on the honor roll with all A's and B's were Joseph W. Buchanan of Broadford and Byron Groseclose of Marion.

Greenwood

MRS. EVERETTE BOX Greenwood, Dec. 14 — "Uncle" Cornelius Sprinkle celebrated his 97th birthday Dec. 13.

He makes his home with his nephew, Stanley Sprinkle, and Mrs. Sprinkle. He is reasonably well and active.

Roy Cecil Brickey, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brickey, is now at home after having been a patient for two weeks in a Marion hospital with pneumonia.

Charles Sprinkle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sprinkle, underwent a foot operation at a Marion hospital recently. He is now at home and getting along nicely.

Sgt. Harold Box of Ft. Meade, Md., spent a three day leave with home folks last week. He will receive his discharge from the army Jan. 7.

Major and Mrs. Robert Peters, who have been at Goose Neck Bay, Labrador, for about a year are expected to return to the States soon and will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Price Copenhaver.

Cpl. and Mrs. Herbert Eller of Laurel, Md., will return to their home Tuesday. They will be accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Melvin Myers. Cpl. Eller will return to camp. Mrs. Eller will return to Marion with her mother soon, where she will make her home.

Pvt. Wilburn Cummings is now in camp at Fort Jackson, S. C., where he is taking his basic training.

650 Attend Burlington's Annual Christmas Party

Approximately 650 attended the 14th annual Town House Hosiery Plant, Burlington Mills, Christmas party Sunday afternoon at State Theatre, Chilhowie.

The program began at 4 p. m. with the theatre being beautifully decorated with a Christmas tree and other Yule decorations.

The program consisted of choral music by the Town House Choir, solos, recitations and pantomimes made up by children of employees.

Santa Claus made his annual visit to distribute treats to the more than 300 children.

The program opened with the invocation by the Rev. M. C. Phillippi, pastor of Chilhowie Methodist Church, after which Superintendent George Maust welcomed all present.

Patricia Duncan and Barbara Lowry furnished piano music as the guests gathered prior to the program. Dewey Lawson was master of ceremonies.

Others taking part, besides

those in the choir and children's choir, were Eddy Haga, Peggy Ratcliff, Liew Via Mabe, Brenda Copenhaver, Elaine Blevins, Retta Colley, Eddy Floren, Lorraine McClure, Ronald Edwards.

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Mrs. James E. Fitzgerald entertained Dec. 9 at her home on Greer Street, Marion, with a surprise neighborhood shower in honor of Mrs. George E. Copenhaver.

After a number of games were played, the hostess served refreshments.

Marriages

BOARDWINE-THOMAS

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Thomas of Wakeman, Ohio, announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Joyce Ann Thomas, to Cpl. Walter G.

Boardwine of Corn Valley, son of Everett C. Boardwine.

The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents at Birmingham, Ohio, October 23 at 7:30 p. m. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Scott of the Florence Congregational Christian Church.

The bride wore a white ballerina length gown with red accessories and her corsage was of red roses.

The maid of honor was Miss Nancy Hunter of Birmingham. The bride is the granddaughter of the Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Maiden of Saltville.

A reception was held after the ceremony.

The groom has served two years in the US Marine Corps. They are making their home in Birmingham.

Sugar Grove, boy, Dec. 14. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Widener, Route 2, Marion, girl, Dec. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wyatt, Hungry Mother Park, Marion, girl, Dec. 14. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. Hayes Jr., Marion, girl, Dec. 11.

MARION GENERAL

Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Leonard, Marion, girl, Dec. 3. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Culbert, Marion, girl, Dec. 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Rife, Chilhowie, boy, Dec. 9.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Davis, Marion, boy, Dec. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Linkous, Marion, boy, Dec. 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sturgill, Marion, girl, Dec. 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wright, Marion, boy, Dec. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Umberger, Wytheville, girl, Dec. 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Burkett, Chatham Hill, boy, Dec. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Tex Williams, Marion, boy, Dec. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. James Robert Legarde, Marion, girl, Dec. 15.

THOMAS K. MCKEE

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip S. Richardson, Saltville, girl, Dec. 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Thomas, Saltville, boy, Dec. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jackson, Saltville, boy, Dec. 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Blevins, Saltville, girl, Dec. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lester, Glade Spring, boy, Dec. 13.

**MRS. CALHOUN
HONORS CLUB**

The Tuesday Luncheon bridge club was entertained by Mrs. Q. A. Calhoun at Hotel Lincoln this week.

The club prize was won by Mrs. M. M. Brown.

Marriage Licenses

Earl Elijah Eller, 21, Chilhowie, and Sarah Elizabeth Rich, 21, Sugar Grove.

William Glenn Moore, 22, and Bessie Ann Levitt, 21, both of Chatham Hill.

James Franklin Testerman, 18, and Frances Lucille Bonham, 21, both of Atkins.

New Smyth Citizens



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LEE MEMORIAL
Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Choate,



DENTAL ASSISTANTS — Pictured above are officers and other members of the Southwest Virginia Dental Assistants' Association, which met at Hotel Lincoln December 13, for a luncheon and installation of officers. They are first row — Fanny Bell Barr, Bristol; Janet Catron, Marion, secretary and treasurer; Edith Cave, Marion, president; Kate Altizer, Tazewell, vice president; Laura Halsey, Wytheville. Back row — Nannie Stevenson, Tazewell; Rhea Smith, Bristol; Beulah Duncan, Bristol; Flossie Welch, Marion; Charlotte Morris, Marion. Dr. R. F. Copenhaver Jr. of Tazewell was the installing officer. Dr. C. L. Hampton and Dr. Van McCarter, both of Galax, were guests.

Royal Oak

MRS. CLARA HILL CARNER
DIAL 3-3682

Royal Oak, Dec. 14 — Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hill, North Main Street, were visitors in Bristol Saturday.

Mrs. Lucy Troxwell, North Main Street, is improving slowly from an extended illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCarty Jr. and little daughter, Christiansburg, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McCarty, Park Boulevard.

Mrs. George A. Lambert, Rural Retreat, has been spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Crockett Gwyn, and

Mr. Gwyn, North Main Street. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Copenhaver, Atkins, were Sunday afternoon callers on Mrs. Clara Hill Carner.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Lincoln Jr. "Sassafras Ridge" have gone to Florida to spend the winter.

Mrs. J. Emmett Thomas, North Main Street, left Tuesday for a visit in Roanoke. Thursday she will go to Fork Union School to visit her grandson, "Jet" Thomas, a student there. They will return home Saturday accompanied by Miss Betty Thomas, who will motor down for them.

Miss Betty Thomas, student at Virginia Intermont College, Bristol, will arrive this week to spend the holiday season with her grandparents, Mr.

Mrs. J. Emmett Thomas.

House guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Durrschmidt, "Green Pastures," arriving Saturday are their granddaughter, Miss Joan Luce, Venezuela, and her schoolmate, Miss Betsy Mace, students at Danna Hall, Wellesley, Mass.

James Birchfield, who lives at Ashburn, near Washington, D. C., a member of the staff of the Washington Star, spent the week end with his mother, who is a patient in the Lee Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. John D. Lincoln, "Graystone Manor," arrived home Sunday with her small son, Charles, who was a patient for a week in the hospital at Johnson City, Tenn., where he underwent surgery.

Mrs. Ruth Henderson has returned to her suite in Hotel Lincoln after recuperating some time at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lenroy Asbury, and Mr. Asbury, Park Boulevard, due to a major operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Jones, Wassona Park, spent two days in Roanoke last week.

Miss Laura Lou Lincoln, New York, will be the Christmas house guest of her sister, Mrs. Henry C. Durrschmidt, and Mr. Durrschmidt, "Green Pastures."

Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Graybeal, Wassona Park, left Saturday for Orlando, Fla., where they will spend a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Fitzgerald and children, Greer St. will spend their holiday season with relatives in Muskegon, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Garner and children, Wassona Park, have returned from a ten days' visit to Miami and Key West, Fla. Returning, they came up the west coast, where they visited.

Dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cline, Grose-

close, were Mr. and Mrs. Pat Jennings, Cuert Drive, Mrs. Roy Davis and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Counts.

Mrs. H. M. Sparger, Wassona Park, was a visitor in Bristol Monday.

MT. CARMEL

The Mt. Carmel Methodist Junior Fellowship will give its Christmas play Wednesday night at the church. Director of the play is Mrs. Harold Coanor.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Moore, Marion, were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Brown Hankla.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott and family of Norton were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Scott.

Thursday afternoon at 2 p. m. the WSCS of the Mt. Carmel Methodist Church will have its Christmas meeting at the church. Mrs. Sam Dillman will be the leader.

Mrs. Robert Scott and son of Norton visited Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Scott. Mrs. Scott was called here several days ago on account of the illness and death of her uncle, Charles E. Anderson, of Adwolve.

Trout Dale

JOY TOLLIVER

Trout Dale, Dec. 14 — The community Christmas program will be given in the First Baptist Church at 8 p. m. Sunday evening, Dec. 20.

J. B. McGrady, who has been employed in Joliet, Ill., is spending a few weeks at home with his family.

The women of the community club with their husbands had dinner at the Virginia House in Marion Saturday night.

Pvt. Stanley Max Grubb of Camp Gordon, Ga., is home for the holidays.

Dwight Baker, who is a patient in the Shenandoah Hospital in Roanoke is slightly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Pierce, who have been ill for several days, are somewhat improved.

Cpl. Kester Shepherd, who was seriously injured in Korea, spent last week end with home folks.

Mrs. Lester Greer is home from Catawba Sanatorium, where she has been a patient for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Barker and family and Mrs. Imogene Tilson of Marion were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cline Barker.

W. F. Wright of Blue Springs visited here Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. F. J. Pasley and R. L. Kirby were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Bryant of Independence Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Tolliver and daughters, Marvel and Margaret, visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis of Marion Tuesday night.

Mrs. J. M. Snyder spent Sunday night with her daughter, Mrs. Helen Frazier, of Marion.

Mrs. Ossie Mitchell was ill at her home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhudy Adams of Sullivan Gardens, Tenn., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fields Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reed and small daughter left last week to visit his parents in Hollywood, Calif.

Mrs. Allen Miller and sons, Robert, David and Michael, Mrs. David Ellis and Ralph Blevins of Edgewood, Md., visited Mr. and Mrs. Bethel Blevins last week end.

The Trout Dale School will discontinue classes for the holidays this Friday until Monday, Jan. 4.

GREENWOOD-MT. ZION

WID CLUB MEETS

The Greenwood-Mt. Zion Home Demonstration Club met at Greenwood church in the Sunday School rooms Dec. 5 with 11 members and three visitors present.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Cloyd Kent, followed by a prayer. The homemaker's creed was read by the group. Mrs. T. R. Wassum gave the devotional, reading parts of Luke 2, followed by comments.

Year books were presented by Miss Karle Bundy. Mrs. Edwin Wassum was elected treasurer. A demonstration was given on "Salads" by Miss Bundy and Mrs. Kennard Box. Refreshments were served and gifts exchanged.

The January meeting will again be held at the Greenwood Church Jan. 2 at 2 p. m. Roll call is to be answered with something pertaining to citizenship. "How to Spend our Money" will be discussed by Miss Bundy at this meeting.



Let's Keep Christ in Christmas

Christmas . . . and

The lights will burn brightly, and the bells will ring out;

The streets, and the stores and shops will be filled;

The gifts will be stacked high under the tree, and the festive board heavy under the Christmas feast;

There will be merriment in homes throughout the land, and the laughter of children to infect us all;

The doors of our homes will be open, and friends will visit and clasp hands.

But more than any of these,

Let each heart become a chapel,

Remembering that on this Day one thousand, nine hundred and fifty-three years ago,

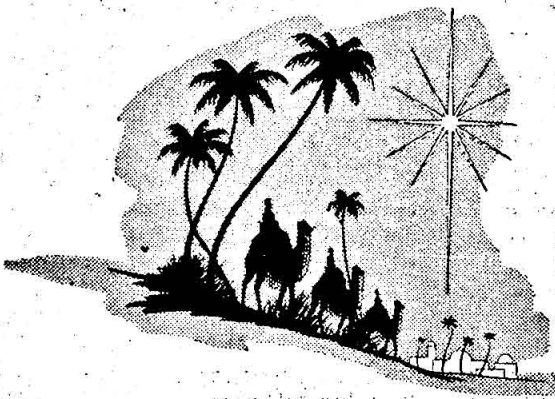
God gave to the world the greatest Gift of all,

His only begotten Son,

Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Yes, more than anything else,

Let us remember this, and keep Christ in Christmas.



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