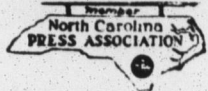


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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1942

### BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

IT IS GOD'S WORLD: For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace.—Isaiah 55:12.

### Christmas 1942

Again, another year has rapidly rolled around and we are about to celebrate the birth of the Prince of Peace. It lacks little of being mockery when practically all nations of the world are at each other's throats in the midst of a global war when America remembers the day that stands for peace and good-will among men.

Christmas, this year, cannot be as merry as we would like it to be. In Chowan County there are some 500 young men scattered all over the world, some of whom we know not where, nor do we have any idea of their circumstances, and this condition prevails over the Nation as a whole. Sorrow and anxiety will undoubtedly supplant happiness in many homes, from whence have gone our finest men who are now in camps and on the field of battle to stand guard over all that is dear to us.

Christmas this year should, more than ever, be a season of deep reverence to those of the Christian faith. Certainly, our thoughts and our prayers will go where ever our boys may be, and especially precious should be our faith that, in God's good time, they will come home. However, despite our faith, we know that many will not return and that this will be the last Christmas many a brave American will observe.

It is not for man to discern the workings of Providence. All we can do, in the face of such a catastrophe is to put our hope in God and trust in Divine Wisdom that uses all men to complete the great purpose of human existence.

Christmas, 1942, then cannot fail to be one of the heart . . . cannot fail to strengthen our faith and courage by reminding us that the things we are fighting for can never be destroyed. Let us, therefore, resolve to put aside our fears and live bravely in the hope that much of what we fear will not come to pass. Let us reverently observe this Christmas in the assurance that millions now alive will, in future years, face happier Christmas days than in the year 1942.

### Not Utopia, Yet

Possibly a little misleading was a story in The Herald last week relative to abandoning the Stocking Fund this year. This fund has primarily been raised to provide presents for children who otherwise would have received very little or nothing, as a Christmas present. It is true that more folks are working this Christmas and that want among the youngsters will not be as pronounced as in former years. Miss Louise Coke, who an-

## HEARD and SEEN

By "BLUFF"

It's sort of a hard job to make some of the folks now in Edenton, but who hail from points further north, believe that the sort of weather we've been having lately is unusual in these parts. For instance, the other day some fellow at the air station called The Herald to find out if we had any information relative to traveling conditions in Ohio and Indiana. I told him we had no information along that line and also that this kind of weather was unusual for Edenton. "Oh, yes," he said, "that's some Chamber of Commerce stuff. Grayson Harding also told me a fellow can play golf in his shirt sleeves in Edenton up until Christmas, but he turned his head the other day when I walked in the lobby scooping and shaking snow off my coat." Well, the Chamber of Commerce must do something, you know. Then on Monday night, two fellows were walking down the middle of King Street when suddenly one of 'em's feet went one way and his body another, and when both came to a stop he was lying flat on his back. He didn't think much of it, apparently, for scrambling to get to his feet, he remarked to his companion, "Hell, and I came all the way to North Carolina to get in this mess." It's good he didn't have a bottle on his hip. Anyway, the weather is unusual, but just the same, we must go like they do in other parts of the country—take it as it comes.

Not a few folks were caught short the latter part of last week when all of a sudden gasoline sales were cut off except for trucks. But Mr. Weatherman also stepped in and helped possibly as much as anything else in conserving gasoline. With snow on the ground and the streets as slippery as glass, only the bravest drivers of automobiles had the courage to try to drive a car, which in many cases decided to run sideways just as well as forward. Anyway, we're having a taste of real winter, even if we are in the sunny South.

Observance of "at home" by the vestry of St. Paul's Church last Thursday night was the climax to an unusually warm welcome extended to the new rector and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. Lewis F. Schenck. In fact, Preacher Schenck made the remark that his reception in Edenton has been so warm that his home was almost lost by fire last week. Anyway, the couple is a valuable

usually shoulders no little part of the burden in raising this fund, purchasing the items going into the stockings and seeing to it that they are distributed, has had very few reports of children who might go lacking, in fact so few that it was deemed unnecessary to appeal for Stocking Fund contributions.

However, this fact is not to be taken that there is no want in Edenton and Chowan County. We read in the Book of Books that "the poor ye have with you always," and there is no exception to this truth in this section this year. We have those who are unemployed, those whose income barely meets the cost of the actual necessities of life, those whose earning capacity has practically reached the vanishing point, some who are sick and the unfortunate fact, possibly, that there are some breadwinners who pay little attention to the care, comfort and welfare of any family connections.

There is, then, still an opportunity for the spreading of Christmas cheer among those who are less fortunate. Some of these will be remembered through the public welfare office, some by the various churches, and the Lions Club, again, this year, will distribute baskets to a number of needy families throughout the county.

At a time when everybody appears to be in a mad rush and duties and responsibilities continue to mount, let us pause long enough to give thought to our surroundings and see to it that there is not a single person who will be neglected when, at a very small cost and with a little effort, Christmas may be a little more human and happier.

addition to Edenton and everyone likes them just about as much as both of them appear to like Edenton.

There's an added cheery atmosphere at the Edenton postoffice the past several days, which has come about by the employment of Miss Lena Jones to work at the stamp window during the Christmas rush. She's taught school for (???) years, and at that, it hasn't made a grouch out of her. No matter how great the rush for stamps, she wears a smile just as she does with her youngsters at school, which goes a long way in preventing many a busy stamp shopper from "flying off the handle."

Both the proof-reader and the typesetting operator called my attention to the term "staggering" in connection with the item about new vestrymen elected at St. Paul's Church last week. The word "staggering" refers to the sort of term these men were elected to serve, and not to the condition of the men who were elected. Just wanted to clear that up, you know.

Episcopalians, Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Catholics and "nothing-at-alls" gathered in the Parish House last Thursday night to officially welcome the Rev. and Mrs. Lewis F. Schenck to Edenton. Everything went off in fine shape, even a few of the most devout Methodists and Baptists saying that the punch was on the up-and-up.

Despite the fact that a south wind was blowing the other night, the mercury was hanging around the freezing point, which is plenty cold in Edenton. Snooky Mills said he didn't quite understand why it was so cold on a south wind, but Louis Francis explained the situation when he said it was only the north wind coming back.



### GOD BLESS A.MERICA!

And we of this organization are grateful that we are Americans . . . Grateful for the things that America stands for—FREEDOM—LIBERTY—JUSTICE . . . And grateful for friends like you whom we can extend Christmas Greetings!

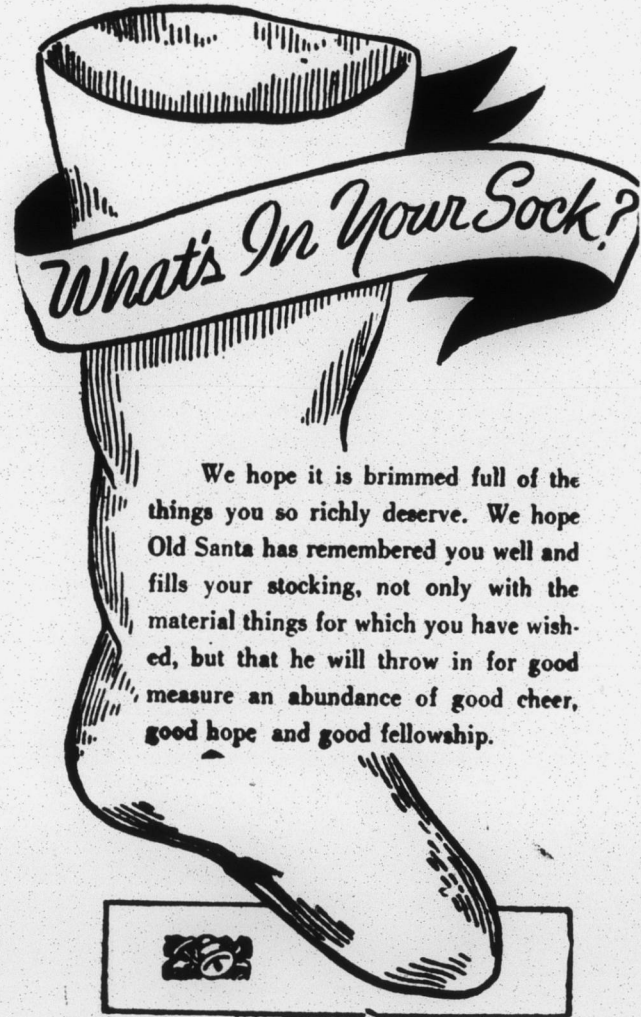
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## ... BETWEEN US PERSONALLY!

There are so many things we would like to say to each of you personally. Personal wishes created by our mutual friendship. These are in our heart and you will know, this simple greeting covers them all.

May this Christmas bring you an abundance of health, happiness, peace and prosperity.

### G. M. BYRUM GROCERY



We hope it is brimmed full of the things you so richly deserve. We hope Old Santa has remembered you well and fills your stocking, not only with the material things for which you have wished, but that he will throw in for good measure an abundance of good cheer, good hope and good fellowship.

### BRIDGE-TURN SERVICE STATION

# Tax Payers TAKE NOTICE!

All persons, firms and corporations are required to list all their or its personal and real property during the month of January, 1943. All property not listed during the month of January will be subject to a penalty as provided by law.

List takers have been appointed for the various Townships of the County as follows:

- First Township . . . . . Mrs. P. S. McMullan
- Second Township . . . . . P. L. Smith
- Third Township . . . . . T. A. Berryman
- Fourth Township . . . . . C. W. Parker

These list takers will be glad to aid in every way and we urge that you see them and get your list in during January and save us and you further trouble and expense.

By Order of County Commissioners  
P. S. McMULLAN, Tax Supervisor

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