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A LIFT FOR TODAY

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.—Isaiah 9:6.

In his birth, life, death and resurrection, Christ exemplifies for us the Power and Presence of God. And, God himself has promised that of "The increase of his government and peace there shall be no end."
We thank Thee, O Lord, for Christ who is the Prince of Peace, the Mighty God and King of Kings.

Worth Considering

With the Christmas holidays upon us, which begin Friday, December 23, and extend through midnight Monday, December 26, it might not be amiss to recall the highway slaughter on North Carolina's highways during the 1959 holidays. Last year 30 people lost their lives from December 24 through December 27, and an additional 323 were injured.

Just to inform Herald readers what caused these accidents, the following 756 driver violations are listed:

Under influence of alcohol, 83; exceeded state speed limit, 112; exceeding safe speed—but not stated limit, 54; did not have right-of-way, 80; following too closely, 75; drove through safety zone, 2; improper passing and cutting in, 26; on wrong side of road—not in passing, 78; failed to signal or improper signal, 14; improper turn, 35; disregarded stop-and-go light, 17; disregarded stop sign or signal, 29; disregarded other traffic control, 14; improper start from parked position, 8; improper parking location, 4; hit and run, 32; passing on hill, 2; passing on curve, 1; other violations, 90.

Once Again—Drive Carefully

Traffic authorities can name three specific traffic hazards that come with the Christmas season year after year.

They are: slippery streets, reduced vision and an increase in the consumption of alcoholic beverages.

All three add to the holiday traffic death and injury toll.

These specific hazards are further complicated by still another that presents a definite problem in itself and intensifies the danger of the other three.

This is a seasonal disability known as "holiday haze".

Holiday haze is compounded of Christmas cheer, last minute shopping, splendid window displays, crowded streets, bundles and packages, sounds of carols, pedestrians and motorists hurrying to get home—all factors resulting in a kind of holiday heedlessness and all calculated to intensify the hazards that are a natural result of the winter season.

There are no real statistics on holiday haze. But the heedlessness is still there. Therefore this Yule season we want to suggest a simple slogan: "Don't let death take your holiday!"

Remember, on foot or under the wheel slippery roads multiply the driver's problems and lessen his control of his vehicle. They make pedestrian footing unsure, often precipitating walkers into dangerous traffic situations.

Darkness, too, is a holiday menace. Longer hours of darkness prevail throughout December, so much of the travel involved in getting to and from work, in shopping, in visiting, must be done in dusk or darkness. This adds to the accident toll.

The holiday spirit means an increased amount of drinking done at this time of year. At office parties, group celebrations, family gatherings and numerous other get-togethers intoxicants are often served. The festive spirit of the season causes many people to imbibe more freely than they usually do.

But the Christmas spirit can be made to work in our favor. While it's true that the public is,

Heard & Seen By Buff

Maybe grocery clerks or checkers should be a little more explicit at times. For instance, the other day a fellow bought a bottle of gingerale for which there is a deposit on the bottle. When he went to the counter to be checked the clerk asked, "Do you have a bottle?" The fellow didn't take long to reply, "I sure have," as he pulled a fifth of whiskey from his hip pocket.

Wilborne Harrell has a Christmas poem on the front page of The Herald today, so I'm using one in my column which was sent by the Rev. Walter E. Isenhour of Taylorsville, N. C. Here 'tis:

RENEWED AT CHRISTMAS

Faith should be renewed at Christmas
As we celebrate the birth
Of the Christ who came from heaven
To this dark, benighted earth
For the purpose, great and wondrous,
Of redeeming fallen man,
Who is "Prince of Peace" and King;
Out of God's good will and plan.

Hope should be renewed at Christmas
As we worship, pray and sing,
Looking upward to the Savior
Who is "Prince of Peace" and King;
Who'll be coming for His children,
Maybe ere the day is done,
Or as evening shadows gather,
Or at morning's rising sun.

Love should be renewed at Christmas
For our Father on His throne,
Who, so loved this world of sinners
As He heard them cry and moan,
That He sent His Son beloved
From His heaven grand and fair,
Who should die for our salvation
And to save us from despair.

Peace should be renewed at Christmas
With good will for all mankind,
And a generous heart and spirit
From the depth of soul and mind;
With good wishes for our loved ones,
For our neighbors and our friends,
And with sunny smiles and greetings
As true love and friendship blends.

And while thinking about Christmas, I'd like to include a little poem by Henry Van Dyke, entitled "Four Things." If followed, there is no doubt that Christmas would mean more for more people. Here 'tis:

Four things a man must learn to do
If he would make his record true:
To think without confusion clearly;
To love his fellow men sincerely;
To act from honest motives purely;
To trust in God and Heaven securely.

Hiram Mayo had all of the Rotarians guessing at last week's meeting. Each week in the club's weekly "Edenton Rotary Echoes" some hints are given regarding a member and it is the purpose to see how many Rotarians can guess the subject. Last week the information was as follows: Birthplace, unknown; weight, little above average; height, average man; married, yes; hobby, workshop; pastime, visiting; color of eyes, unknown; children, plenty. The latter hint did not apply to any Rotarian and it was finally agreed that the subject was Santa Claus.

According to my calendar, winter officially begins Wednesday, December 21. But if you ask me, it began, even if unofficially, Monday and Tuesday of last week when the thermometer was as low as 14 degrees—cold enough for two pairs of long-handled underwear.

An added air to Christmas occurred Monday night when seven boys of the John A. Holmes High School Band went around town playing favorite Christmas carols. The boys volunteered to provide this music and Director Derwood Bray consented to allow them to do it and he accompanied the boys on their rounds. All I can say is that the music was plumb good and my hat's off (even if it's cold on the bald spot) to the boys for filling the air with the heart-warming Christmas music.

At this time of year there are three great American parties—Democratic, Republican and Cocktail, and a fellow can get in trouble in either one of 'em, especially the latter.

At least Branning Perry noticed a paragraph in this column having something to say about subscribers paying renewals to The Herald. Sticking his face inside the office door, Branning said, "Yes, I noticed the label on my paper and I'm behind—I'll see you next year."

My friend DeWitt Cooper, who lives in Richmond, Indiana, wrote the other day asking whom he should contact to find out the television or other bookings of Edenton's historical and promotional film "Ye Towne on Queen Anne's Creek" in his area. He read in The Herald about to a great extent, engrossed in holiday making, it is also true that it is more kindly disposed than you will find it at any other season. Maybe we should appeal to the spirit of good will that prevails throughout the holidays.

Perhaps we should dwell on the theme "Peace Upon Earth To Men Of Good Will," making it clear that good will should be practiced at all times—including time spent on the streets and highways.

What will it cost to try it that way? What will it cost not to?

...and
Please,
Oh LORD,
Let there
be Peace
on Earth

the film and he is one who is rarin' to see it, for he has visited in Edenton, likes the town and its people and, of course, wouldn't mind going out of his way if necessary to see it. He was informed about the bookings by Grayson Harding and Mrs. John Kramer. This is only one of many requests coming in for information about the film.

And before winding up this column, I want to express my sincere wish that every bloomin' one reading this column will have a very Merry Christmas.

1959 Class Christmas Party Friday Night

The class of 1959 of John A. Holmes High School will hold a Christmas party Friday night, December 30, at the Parish House from 8 to 12 o'clock.

All class members, their dates, college students home for the holidays and their dates are all urged to attend.

Refreshments will be served and a small admission charged to pay expenses.

Rose's Distributes Christmas Gifts

Paul M. Wallace, manager of the local Rose's 5-10-25c Store, has announced the distribution of his company's gifts to employees this year amount to \$113,155. Every member of the 149 stores in the seven southeastern states served by the company participates to a greater or lesser degree depending on length of service.

The employees of the Edenton store will receive Christmas gifts this year in the amount of \$750.

In notifying the managers, T. B. Rose, Jr., the company president said, "the gifts we distribute at this time are tokens of our genuine appreciation for the fine efforts of our local employees who have contributed so much to the success of our company."

Rose's also has a retirement fund with assets of \$4,168,364, reserved for employees whose service record is not less than two years. The employee pays nothing into the fund, but shares in its benefits according to a predetermined schedule.

Lunch Room Menu

Menus at the John A. Holmes lunch room for the week of January 2-6 will be as follows:

Monday: Italian spaghetti with meat balls, buttered corn, cole slaw, butter, apple sauce, milk.

Tuesday: Tuna fish salad on lettuce, salted crackers, cornfield peas, cup cakes, butter, milk.

Wednesday: Fish sticks, buttered potatoes, peach halves, cornbread, succotash, butter and milk.

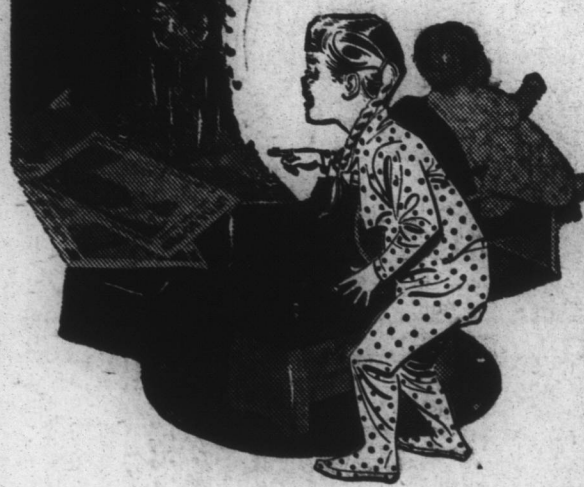
Thursday: Beef vegetable soup, meat salad sandwiches, chocolate cake, butter, crackers, pimento cheese, milk.

Friday: Hamburgers, cole slaw, fruit jello, hamburger rolls, pork and beans, milk, butter.

Christian Science Presents
DECEMBER 25
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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Once more we come to the day of greetings and family gatherings, the day of Peace and Joy and good will. It is the Season when we especially want to pause and say "Thanks" to you for our pleasant and friendly association during the past twelve months.



Jackson's Radio & TV Service

Greetings from our house...



Straight from our house to you comes this message with hearty good wishes for a Merry Christmas.

If we had the magic power of good old St. Nick to be everywhere at the same time, we could say it in person. But our thoughts at least can come to you with all the good things that go toward making each Holiday Season one of happy memories.



...To your house



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the happiness our old friends and new friends have given us over the years, and at this joyous and heartwarming season offer our sincerest wishes for Christmas joy and prosperity in the days to come.

Best Wishes



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EDENTON, N. C.

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FRESH GROUND
Hamburger.....lb. 39c
Franks.....1-lb. pkg. 49c

WE HAVE CORNED HAM AND TURKEYS...AT COMPETITIVE PRICES...SEE OUR STOCK.

Red & White
Cranberry Sauce
2 cans 35c

Red & White
Mayonnaise
qt. jar 49c

NIBLET
CORN
2 cans 35c

No. 2 Cans Red & White
CRUSHED
Pineapple
can 27c

PAPER
NAPKINS
pkg. 10c

303 Can Red & White
BLUE LAKE WHOLE
Green Beans
can 25c

We Have A Good Variety Of Christmas Candies and Nuts

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