

**DECEMBER 18 WILL BE
RED LETTER DAY HERE**

Success of Observance in North Carolina Schools So Marked That Celebration Will Now Assume Wider Scope.

So marked have been the results of "North Carolina Day", which was observed in about twenty-five of the principalities of this state on November 24, that school superintendents and teachers in many other places in the State have requested that a similar observance be planned for their schools, and Director W. R. Timmons, of the Educational Division of the War Loan Organization of this district, has designated December 18 as the day.

The day will be observed not only in North Carolina but also in South Carolina, and it will be known as "North and South Carolina Day." There is already being shown a friendly rivalry between the schools of the two sister states for the honor of making the better record.

According to the program now being prepared "North and South Carolina Day" will be observed on December 18 in every city or town in this State, which did not observe "North Carolina Day" on November 24. Savings societies will be organized in the schools and the teachers will be urged to begin immediately the use of the Text Books in Thrift which are being furnished without cost by the War Loan Organization and which have proved so helpful in all parts of the county.

Many new and interesting ways are being devised by the boys and girls of North Carolina by which they can take part in the great savings movement, and reports indicate that they are regularly and systematically saving considerable sums of money—some for a college education, others to buy useful things for the home, while still others are accumulating funds which will help them in business.

Director Timmons, who has made several extended visits to North Carolina recently, says that the Old North State is rapidly forging ahead and that more and more the people are realizing the tremendous benefits to be derived from regular saving. All kinds of people, he declares, are now saving as they never saved before. They understand that money is now cheap but that soon it may be worth considerably more. Therefore, they are taking advantage of this condition of affairs and the State as a whole will reap the benefits of the thrift and frugality of its citizens.

Wherever Director Timmons went, he says, he found growing enthusiasm. Support and cooperation were pledged in every city and town he visited. Men and women, who, when the savings movement was first launched, appeared to be wholly indifferent, expressed the greatest interest in the progress of the work and volunteered their influence and assistance in furthering it. In short, Director Timmons says, North Carolina, which has always taken a leading part in patriotic achievement, is rapidly forging to the front in the savings movement, and he hopes that it will soon be one of the banner states.

To assist the boys and girls in the North Carolina schools to acquire the savings habit—the surest foundation of prosperity and happiness—penny and nickel books are being sent to the teachers for distribution in every room or grade. Also certificates of achievement have been engraved and one will be sent to every pupil as soon as he has saved enough as to purchase a War Savings Stamp. A larger certificate has been engraved for the rooms or grade which have hundred per cent membership savings societies or thrift clubs. Both certificates bear the signatures of Carter Glass, secretary of the United States Treasury, and George J. Seay, governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of the Fifth Federal Reserve District.

As a result of "North and South Carolina Day" observance Director Timmons expects that many certificates of both kinds will soon be issued. He desires to have a savings society in every room or grade in every school in the Old North State. Director Timmons has been visiting personally as many superintendents, principals and teachers as possible. He has not been able, however, to reach every one in North Carolina, and he will be glad, he says, if those he has not had the pleasure of seeing will, should they desire further information regarding the observance of "North and South Carolina Day" on December 18, write to him at War Loan Organization headquarters, Richmond, Va., and all the plans for the day will be given to them as soon as possible.

WHAT QUARTERS WILL DO.

Just one Thrift Stamp after another will build a fortune or a hospital, and the humble Thrift Stamp is helping to develop a nation of fortune-builders. The government stands back of these builders and has declared its intention to continue the sale of Thrift Stamps, War Savings Stamps and Treasury Savings Certificates as a permanent part of the national financial policy.

It was safe to demobilize the army after the armistice, but it will never be safe to demobilize your habits of thrift. Keep them in training by regular purchases of War Savings Stamps and Treasury Savings Certificates.

**Carol Singing
Is Dying Out**

THE custom of carol singing out of doors at Christmas time seems to be dying out.

This is a great pity, for carols are a branch of folk music, the unconscious art of the peasant mind, a heritage of inestimable worth.

In many English villages there are carols peculiar to themselves, to be jealously guarded and retained for their use.

The Christmas carol dates from the birth of Christianity itself, the angels having sung their carols at the birth of Jesus Christ.

Among the early Christians carols were sacred hymns representing Christ's nativity.

Now the name is given to a variety of popular metrical compositions from the simple record of the birth of our Lord to rude was-sail songs and rhymes of holiday revelry.

Probably no Christmas would seem complete without the well-known and popular hymn, "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing."

The word carol, which originally meant a dance, is thought to have come into our language either from the Norman French carole or from the Celtic carol.

In 1822 Davies Gilbert published "some ancient Christmas carols, with the tunes to which they were formerly sung in the west of England." In his preface he declared himself to be desirous "of preserving them in their actual forms, as specimens of times now passing away."

And of religious feelings now superseded by others of a different caste.

Of late years some of the churches—chiefly in the larger cities—have held "Christmas carol services" during the Christmas season. This is an excellent movement and might profitably be taken up by churches all over the country. Certainly if the churches can restore this old custom it will add to the enjoyment of the season.

France is exceptionally rich in carols, which are often drinking songs as in many European countries. We find many French carols translated into English, no doubt as a result of the intercourse which existed between dwellers on either side of the channel in the days when English youths often pursued their studies in France.

There is a great deal of discussion as to which is the most popular carol. While it is impossible to name the favorite, there can be little doubt of the universal appeal of the "God rest ye, merry gentlemen," whose plaintive melody has touched a chord in the popular mind. Among modern compositions may be mentioned, "The Shepherds Left Their Sheep," by Alfred Hollins. Mr. Hollins is blind, but this affliction has not prevented him from becoming one of the finest organists and composers in Britain.

Washington Irving in his famous "Sketch Book" introduces us to most of the old English customs which have from time immemorial, attended the Christmas festival. Of his first night at Bracebridge Hall he says:

"I had scarcely got into bed when a strain of music seemed to break forth in the air just below the window. I listened, and found it proceeded from a band, which I concluded to be the waits from some neighboring village. They went around the house playing under the windows. I drew aside the curtains, to hear them more distinctly. The moonbeams fell through the upper part of the casement, partially lighting up the antiquated apartment. The sounds, as they receded, became more soft and aerial, and seemed to accord with the quiet and the moonlight. I listened and listened—they became more and more tender and remote, and, as they gradually died away, my head sank upon the pillow and I fell asleep."

In Pasquill's "Jests," a book published in 1604, an amusing story is told of a knight who gave a Christmas feast at which he entertained his friends and the tenantry. The host ordered no man at the table to drink a drop "till he that was master over his wife should sing a carol." A pause ensued and then one poor male, more daring than the others, timidly lifted his lonely voice. The knight then turned to the ladies, who sat at a table apart, and "bade her who was master over her husband," sing a carol. The legend says that forthwith "the women fell all to singing, that there was never heard such a catter-walling piece of musick."



**PROFESSIONAL
CARDS**

**DR. C. G. POWELL
DENTIST**
PHONE NO. 10
AHOSKIE, N. C.

**R. R. ALLEN & SON
Dealers in**
SASH, DOORS, BLINDS, WINDOW
GLASS, HARDWARE, PAINTS
AND BUILDING MATERIALS
GENERALLY
Wholesale and Retail
No. 927 Washington Square
SUFFOLK VA.

tombstones of any description,
see or write
J. B. MODLIN, Ahoskie, N. C.
Agents for
United States Marble Co.

C. Wallace Jones
Attorney and Counsellor-At-Law
WINTON, N. C.
Practice in all courts. Loans negotiated. All matters given prompt and faithful attention.
Located across street from residence

**DR. C. H. CHAMBERLAIN,
DENTIST**
MURFREESBORO, N. C.

**DR. J. H. BROWN
VETERINARIAN**
Office with Holloman Brothers,
Rich Square, N. C.

SERVICE
Is the first word, and the guiding thought of this service station.

SATISFACTION
To every customer is our aim. Repair work done right at
SESSOMS BROS'. GARAGE
Ahoskie, N. C.

DR. CHARLES J. SAWYER
Farmers-Atlantic Bank Building,
Ahoskie, N. C.
Hours: 10 to 1 and 2 to 5
Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
Practice limited to
Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat.
In Windsor, N. C., every Monday, Friday and Saturday.

**J. ROY PARKER,
Notary Public.**
Located in Herald Building.
AHOSKIE, N. C.

LIFE INSURANCE
AS Cheap as the Cheapest and as Good as the Best.
Masonic Mutual for Masons only—Union Central for Everybody
A. T. WILLOUGHBY, Agent,
Ahoskie, N. C.

North Carolina—Hertford County
NOTICE!
J. R. Garrett, administrator of
W. T. Askew
Against
Ira Askew, T. J. Askew, C. E. Askew
Dora A. Askew, and husband, J. H. Newsome, Agnes E. Holloman and husband, George P. Holloman, Annie N. Gay and husband, W. J. Gay, Minnie H. Futrell and husband, J. L. Futrell, Flora M. Gilchrist and husband Wm. Gilchrist and Gertrude Askew, Widow
The defendant, Ira Askew, T. J. Askew, Flora M. Gilchrist and husband, Wm. Gilchrist and Gertrude Askew above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Hertford County, to sell certain real estate in the town of Ahoskie, N. C., to make assets to pay debts and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hertford County on the 30th day of December, 1919 at the courthouse door of said county, in Winton, North Carolina and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plain tiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This 29th day of November, 1919.
D. R. McGlohon, Clerk of Court.

Tunis, N. C.
CHOWAN RIVER---A. C. L. R. R.

Ideally Located for Manufacturing Center

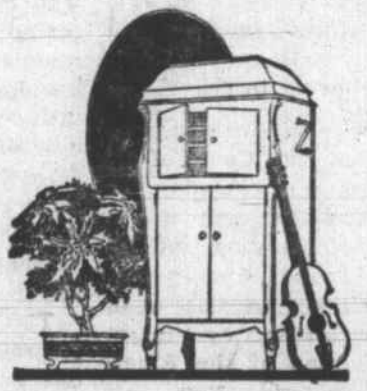
Located on intersection of the Chowan River and the A. C. L. Railway, with very good shipping facilities.

Plenty of Timber in this locality, and easily transported by water or rail. Boats plying on this river pass through the Peanut Belt of Eastern North Carolina.

Peanut Factory, Storage Warehouses, Paper Mill, and other Manufacturing Plants would have every advantage here, and could be maintained with a minimum outlay of capital.

For detailed information relative to prospective sites and advantages to be secured, can be obtained by corresponding with or seeing

K. R. ISRAEL
Tunis, N. C.



Largest House in North Carolina

Special Prices of

**PIANOS
TALKING MACHINES**

During the Holidays
Easy Terms of Payment
Write for Big Catalog

Duff Piano Co.
Elizabeth City, N. C.