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Odds and Ends

A Free-lance Column Dedicated to the Principle of Free Speech and Space

Two young men. Mr. Bob Covington and Mr. Bob Phillips were two "young"men who greatly enjoyed the Duke alumni banquet Saturday night They are old Trinity College students, of a vintage of the last century. Mr. Covington says he has always been very fond of Mr. Phillips, that when he was a little boy he used to take him up on his knee and give him candy and peanuts. Mr. Phillips says, however, than he can not remember that far back.

Warm weather and fresh meat do not get along very well together. Some people in Scotland county have lost fresh pork lately because of the very warm days that followed soon after they had killed hogs. One of these was Mr. J. T. John of Johns, we are told, who lost several fine hogs that way last week. Somebody says that fresh meat may be saved by buying a few blocks of ice and putting it in the smoke house until the weather turns cooler. In fact with a little trouble the smoke house can be turned into a cold storage house, and fresh meat kept without difficulty when the weather is unusually warm.

McKay Street. Some folks in Laurinburg want McKay street widened. It would help business property in that section. But those who own the property fronting on Main street at both corners of McKay are not keen about giving any of it up for a wider street. Some years ago the town purchased, or somebody says took, a small footage there for street purposes, but the great mistake was they didn't "take" enough of it. McKay street is not a street yet, just an alley of 28 feet width. The effort to put a curb and gutter in middle of this last failed and the curb is being moved back 4 feet nearer the south side of the street, allowing for a six-foot sidewalk. There is no sidewalk on the other side. It will cost a good deal of money to buy property enough to make McKay street standard width where it empties into Main, but some day it may be done.

Eggs are eggs! Says a Laurinburg merchant, who got 90 dozen fresh eggs Tuesday morning from the Highway Leghorn farm near Monroe and paid 60 cents a dozen for the lot. These eggs were laid Monday and in Laurinburg Tuesday for sale. Those who get them will pay a pretty penny for them, even if cotton is low. Some people here have tried the chicken business, but mostly it seems to have proven unpopular as a business. Nobody in Scotland county, the merchants say, is offering fresh eggs for sale now on any considerable scale. Some people make money out of the chicken business, while others lose money. It is a highly specialized work and only those who know can make it pay. It is more difficult than growing cotton, which a "negro" can plant and cultivate and pick, without much worry to the white folks, except when the price is low as it is this year.

The size of a big man. Dr. W. P. Few, president of Duke University, in an address to Duke Alumni at Laurinburg, paid tribute to the good name and high courage of the Duke family in an eloquent fashion. One of the finest things he said about the Dukes was that they never allowed personalities or bitterness of feeling to play any part in their lives. He told about an instance in the life of old man Washington Duke, the father of James Buchanan Duke in the days following the Civil War when it was hard times for everybody. One of his neighbors, who owned land adjoining Washington Duke's land, wanted to raise a row about a line fence running between the two farms. Washington Duke, says Dr. Few, sent the neighbor word like this, "If you don't think the fence is in the right place, just put it where you think it ought to be and it will be all right with me." The neighbor was so ashamed that he didn't touch the fence, and the two men became the best of friends and remained so until the end of their earthly pilgrimage.

DR. FEW LAUDS NAME OF DUKE IN ADDRESS HERE

Points Out Particular Qualities That Made Him a Masterbuilder, Vision of Great University

Dr. W. P. Few, president of Duke University and upon whose shoulders rests much of the responsibility for successfully administering the stupendous sums of money set aside by the late James Buchanan Duke for the building and permanent endowment of Duke University, was the university representative and speaker at a regional meeting and banquet of Duke alumni, representing the counties of Bladen, Hoke, Moore, Richmond, Robeson and Scotland at the Chetwynd Hotel dining room on Saturday evening, December 11.

Dr. J. Luther Gibson of Laurinburg was master of ceremonies, and gave considerable time in advance to perfecting all plans for the banquet. Mr. J. P. Gibbons of Hamlet was alumni speaker, and the program, besides the address by Mr. Gibbons and Dr. Few, included a saxophone solo by Mr. Harold Gibson, and a flute solo by Miss Mary Jarman, Mrs. J. L. Gibson playing the piano accompaniment.

A most excellent banquet was served in four courses, under the direction and supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Dunham of the Chetwynd Hotel management. This service reached a high peak in its excellence and perfection and occasioned no little comment on the part of visitors in town for the occasion.

Gibbons Pleads for Loyalty

Mr. Gibbons was the first speaker on the progarm, and was introduced by Dr. Gibson. The speaker plead for a greater loyalty and allegiance to the University on the part of the alumni and alumnae. The two outstanding events of late years in relation to the development and expansion of Trinity College, now Duke University, said Mr. Gibbons, was the recognition of the alumni as a vital and necessary part of its life, and the stupendous bequest from Mr. Duke. He spoke eloquently, forcefully and effectively, and made a stirring appeal for loyalty to the institution, and said that the alumni as individuals and as a group was the medium through which the great pulse and throbbing life of the university could make contact with the life of the state and its people as a whole.

Dr. Few, scholarly and every inch the gentleman of culture and wide experience, as he rose to speak, made a striking impression. His manner is not that of the professional orator, but rather of the class room, easy, suave and engaging, but none the less forceful and commanding.

In his opening statement Dr. Few invited the undivided allegiance of all former students of Trinity College and Duke University, and the helpful co-operation and assistance of all men who can qualify for spiritual discipleship and the prosecution of great tasks. Trinity College, he said had always been on the move. Way back yonder in 1838 it began with a union of Methodists and Quakers in Randolph county for educational advancement and enlarged opportunity. It had the moral energy to move, and early in the last half of the 19th century the institution moved, or was moved, to Durham, with an ever-enlarging sphere of activity and usefulness. Please God, said the speaker, may it ever be on the move.

Turning then to the personality and character of the late James B. Duke, the university's great benefactor, Dr. Few paid a worthy tribute to the name of Duke. He went into a ctirical analysis of the elements or qualities of character, which he said made the life and career of James B. Duke a success. Many men, said Dr. Few, he has known who made money that he wouldn't call successful. But J. B. Duke was a success in the bigger and better sense of the word.

He gave the tobacco farmers of North Carolina a world market for their product, and in creating the American Tobacco Company laid the foundation for the great material prosperity that has come to North Carolina in late years. In the following order, Dr. Few laid down the qualities of mind and heart, which he declared, made James B. Duke a great man, and which he said any one could emulate with profit.

1. He was a man of vision. Dr. Few quoted the words of the prophet Isaiah, "Where there is no vision the people perish." J. B. Duke could see a thing before it arrived. He saw far into the future.

2. He had the ability to pursue his vision and to concentrate on the main chance, said Dr. Few. He not only saw but he did things.

3. He was free from personalities and bitterness of feeling. Many hard things were written and spoken of the Dukes in North Carolina, says Dr. Few, but they never talked back, and they didn't feel back but mighty little. In no transaction did they allow personalities to influence their thinking or their action. He related here the story of Washington Duke and his neighbor, who wanted to raise a row about a line fence. Old man Duke just sent his neighbor word

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PAVING ON McRAE AND COVINGTON STS. AIRED AGAIN

Town Board Does not Pass on Petitions But Defers Matter until January Meeting

A special meeting of the board of town commissioners was held Wednesday morning for further consideration of the paving of McRae and Covington Streets, petitions for this work having been received by the board several days ago. Mr. W. H. Cox, representing the opposition, appeared before the board at this meeting and asked that the matter be deferred to a later meeting so as to give those opposed to paving an opportunity to present their case.

Mr. Cox argued that because of depressed business conditions, low price cotton and scarcity of money, now is an inopportune time to make such improvements and that it would work a hardship on some of the citizens to force paving on them. He also stated that the bare majority represented on the petition for McRae Street was not sufficient to justify forcing the issue upon a number there who do not want the paving and who are not at this time in position to assume such an obligation.

The views of the board as expressed by indivdual members are that it does not wish to force paving upon anybody or upon any street, but wishes to be governed by the wishes of the people, who must pay for the street improvements and are entitled to be heard and to have their views considered. Having established a precedent, however, on other streets, it is honor bound to consider seriously any petition for paving of any street that carries a majority of the names of property owners. The matter was deferred until January 3, and in the meantime it is hoped that it will be learned definitely just what the citizens on these streets want.

STATE BANK PAYS OUT CHRISTMAS SAVINGS

Nice Plump Checks Go Out to Thrifty Depositors and Bring Christmas Cheer to Many

The State Bank announces that it is mailing out checks this week to a number of Christmas Savings Club depositors. All the year of 1926 these people have made regular deposits to this account, and now back comes the harvest this week, bringing a great measure of Christmas cheer and happiness. Mr. Cooper, vice president and cashier, stated Tuesday that in some instances the checks are substantial and will mean a great deal to those who receive them. In every instance the check comes at a fine time, and the fact that these people have lived up to a regular and systematic plan of saving all the year shows that they have courage, will power and a streak of character that will prove a splendid asset for them in all the years to come.

The bank is opening a new Christmas Savings Club for 1927 and invites every one who will do so to become a member, get in on time and experience the joy of regular saving and a nice, fat check for next December. Christmas savings clubs are popular in all parts of the country. People find this a fine way to save money, and it comes back at a good time. It can be used for necessary Christmas expenses, or it may be permanently invested and keep your ship coming in from year to year.

PENSION CHECKS HAVE ARRIVED

Clerk of the Court C. D. Merormick reports that the semi-annual pension warrants for old soldiers and the widows of Confederate soldiers are now in his hands and ready for distribution. These make most acceptable Christmas gifts and those entitled to them are asked to call at the clerk's office at the court house and receive their vouchers.

CHRISTMAS CANATA AT METHODIST CHURCH ON DECEMBER 23RD

On Thursday night, December 23, the choir members of the Methodist church of the city, under the direction of Mrs. Albert Lyteh, will present "The King Cometh," a Christmas cantata of unusual beauty, by R. M. Stults. The program will begin at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

NEW BEAUTY PARLOR TO OPEN IN LAURINBURG SOON

Announcement in the advertising columns of The Exchange this week of the opening of a beauty parlor in Laurinburg early in the neaw year is of interest. The new establishment, it is learned, will have quarters upstairs in the Blues Drug Store building, and will be conducted by some young business women.

SCHOOLS CLOSE FRIDAY FOR TWO WEEKS

The Laurinburg public schools will close Friday, December 17, for two weeks for the Christmas holidays, opening again on Monday, January 3.

"THE FOU[illegible] OF [illegible]TAIN SOUTH"

(By H[illegible] Roob)

Fort Pierce, [illegible] a., Dec. 13.—Since creation [illegible] kind has sought some elixer of [illegible] a, some source of rejuvenation [illegible] stay the insidious advances of [illegible]ge and to hold and perpetuate [illegible] stamina and flush of flaming [illegible]uth. Behold the ageing flapper, [illegible] "hi" beclad bobbing her hair [illegible] "cosmetting" to restore that scho[illegible] girl complexion! Neither is mer[illegible] immune, for by the liberal [illegible] of dyes and hair restorers he is w[illegible]nt to camouflage the "silver th[illegible]ds among the gold" that come[illegible] hen the autumn zephyrs shake t[illegible] "thin ringlets of his silvered h[illegible]."

It was this un[illegible]ral desire that brought the gal[illegible] "dago," Ponce de Leon, from [illegible] "dreamy land of tomorrow" (fou[illegible]in) to the shores of the New Wo[illegible] in quest of a fabled fountain [illegible] perpetual youth. After diligent se[illegible]ch he found (?) the fabulous fou[illegible]tain. The springs are located about [illegible] midway between Tallahassee and [illegible] Pensacola. Just the other day I v[illegible]isited them. A river of no mea[illegible] dimensions issues from the sp[illegible]ings. The waters are tepid, sapphi[illegible]e in hue, and crystal in purity. [illegible]s I stood where Ponce de Leon [illegible]rtid some two or three hundred ye[illegible]rs ago and drank, I could but only [illegible] consider the fallacy of seeking [illegible] the four-leaf clover, or chasing t[illegible] pot of gold at the end of the r[illegible]inbow. I got no "kick" from th[illegible] "drinking thereof." Neither coul[illegible] I feel that time was turning bac[illegible]ward in its flight and that I would [illegible]ke to try jumping a ten-rail fe[illegible]ce, shoot a game of marbles, hav[illegible] back to the old swimming hole [illegible]r play hookey from the stern [illegible]chool of experience just for a d[illegible]y.

Many of those who drank of these waters bef[illegible]re me must have turned their [illegible]ces towards the daises long sinc[illegible] for I saw a formidable array o[illegible] tombstones in the village hav[illegible]by. It has been said, and aptly, [illegible]poken, that "the heart, the heart, [illegible] is a heritage that keeps the old m[illegible] young."

(Note.—Many [illegible] of the readers of The Exchange k[illegible] now "Hey Roob." He is a native o[illegible] of Scotland who long since cont[illegible]ted a real case of the wander[illegible], and his feet have tramped [illegible] and down the earth, carrying [illegible] to far places. Just now he is [illegible] Florida.)

SOME FIGURE[illegible] [illegible] GINNING

[illegible] K. The for the Ce[illegible]wing figures on Exchange [illegible] Scotland county cotton ginned [illegible] first for the last prior to December [illegible] may be of interest to many reader[illegible]: Prior to December 1, 1922, [illegible] the county had ginned 25,910 bale[illegible]s of the crop for that year; prior [illegible] to December 1, 1923, 29,612 bales; prior to December 1, 1924, 15,5[illegible]8 bales; prior to December 1, 1925, 29,978 bales, and prior to December 1, 1926, 32,860 bales. The figures for 1923 and 1925 are nearly the same, while 1926 shows a larger number of bales ginned prior to December 1 than any other of the five years.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

An event of unusual interest at the Christmas season is the annual musical program at the Presbyterian church. This year it is announced that on Sunday morning, December 26, the Christian Endeavor choir will render special Christmas music at the morning service, as a part of the worship. In the evening at the regular hour of worship there will be a musical program by the church choir, which will take the place of the usual preaching service. The program for this service will be announced next week.

THE WOMEN'S PRAYER CIRCLE

The bands will meet again next Wednesday, December 22, at 9:30. [illegible] meet with Mrs. Walter McEachin, [illegible] Circle No. 1, seven present, will [illegible] Mrs. C. A. Purcell, leader. Circle No. 2, two present, will meet with Mrs. George Godwyn, Mrs. Hinton James, leader. Circle No. 3, seven present will meet with Mrs. L. P. Smith, Mr. W. H. Sutherland, leader. Circle No. 4, eight present, will meet with Mrs. A. M. Fairley, Mrs. Marvin Beverly, leader. Circle No. 5, twelve present, will meet with Mrs. B. F. Barber, Mrs. Sa[illegible]ord, leader. Circle No. 6, five present, will meet with Mrs. Thero McIntyre, Mrs. Peter McIntosh, leader. Total attendance for December 15, was 41.

REV. R. L. MCLEOD AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Rev. R. L. McLeod of Maxton will talk Sunday morning at 10 o'clock to the men's Bible class of the First Baptist church. Every member of the class and men of the town are invited to be present and hear Mr. McLeod, who is just beginning a career as minister of the Presbyterian church. He was graduated last year from the Presbyterian Seminary at Louisville. D. J. Sinclair, president of the class and W. [illegible] Weatherspoon teacher, in making the announcement, express a wish that a large number of men will attend the class Sunday morning and greet Mr. McLeod.

DUKE UNIVERSITY GLEE CLUB PLEASES LOCAL AUDIENCE

Gives Varied Program at High School Auditorium Tuesday Night Makes Fine Impression Here

The Duke University glee club and musical club gave a varied and a highly entertaining program at the high school auditorium Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. The University boys were greeted by a fair-sized audience and they made a fine impression by the manner in which they presented their program. Some of the numbers were most excellent, and the richness and variety of the program was sufficient for all tastes. Laurinburg was one of six North Carolina towns to get a dating on the Fall tour. The other towns are: Mount Olive, Louisburg, Albemarle, Winston-Salem and Lexington.

The program was divided into parts by the symphony orchestra, the jazz orchestra, or "Blue Devils," the University quartet, the string club, and the glee club, and the black face feature act by W. J. Hobbs and Bob Hatcher. There are 40 members of the company, besides the faculty member and director.

The receipts Tuesday night were a little above a hundred dollars. The club came to Laurinburg under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Laurinburg Methodist church.

SCOTLAND GINS 32,860 BALES PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1

A Million and More Bales for the State, Robeson and Johnston Lead

North Carolina ginned 1,000,592 bales of cotton prior to December first, against 1,083,226 bales last year. Scotland county beat its record for 1925 by neary 3,000 bales, or 32,860 bales against 29,978 bales last year. The figures were made public Wednesday by the Bureau of the Census, Washington.

	1926	1925
Alamance	1,710	1,521
Anson	29,929	22,789
Beaufort	9,527	7,641
Bertie	11,228	12,211
Bladen	10,611	7,975
Cabarrus	15,169	12,929
Camden	4,238	4,024
Catawba	12,261	10,541
[illegible]	7,484	10,169
Chowan	7,163	5,389
Cleveland	37,897	35,896
Columbus	2,048	985
Craven	2,943	2,602
Cumberland	29,242	28,435
Davidson	1,762	1,968
Davie	3,746	3,829
Duplin	14,423	12,529
Durham	1,383	2,217
Edgecombe	30,215	33,276
Franklin	20,241	25,696
Gaston	9,930	7,861
Gates	5,335	5,858
Granville	1,838	3,882
Greene	10,820	10,677
Halifax	38,096	46,743
Harnet	46,422	46,360
Hartford	6,722	7,410
Hoke	16,572	18,086
Iredell	18,046	15,078
Johnston	63,376	67,839
Jones	2,493	1,882
Lee	9,280	11,627
Lenoir	12,653	12,344
Lincoln	13,301	11,448
Martin	5,382	6,740
Mecklenburg	22,800	20,193
Montgomery	6,897	5,826
Moore	8,145	8,001
Nash	39,523	50,649
Northampton	27,583	32,017
Onslow	2,350	1,835
Orange	1,172	1,615
Pamlico	1,691	1,772
Pasquotank	3,711	2,918
Pender	1,748	1,282
Perquimans	8,148	7,190
Pitt	23,138	22,552
Polk	1,482	3,357
Randolph	1,444	1,723
Richmond	21,435	18,577
Robeson	64,964	58,685
Rowan	13,451	14,311
Rutherford	8,932	12,169
Sampson	38,949	39,150
Scotland	32,860	29,978
Stanly	12,368	9,088
Union	28,475	28,119
Vance	4,837	8,541
Wake	33,017	47,690
Warren	12,675	18,914
Washington	985	1,089
Wayne	34,140	34,770
Wilson	25,918	27,701
All other	3,851	5,327

CONTRACT FOR GIBSON ROAD TO BE LET THURSDAY

Contract for the building of an asphalt surface road from Gibson to Laurinburg, or to a point on highway 20 west of the city limits of Laurinburg, is expected to be let Thursday, December 16, by the State Highway Commission. P. R. Ashby and Company, who are building highway No. 24 from Laurinburg to the South Carolina line, are amping the bidders for the Gibson project.

"AUNT BECKY" SERIOUSLY ILL

Hundreds of frends of Mrs. A. B. McElyea, better known as "Aunt Becky" are sorry to learn that she is critically ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. McCallum in Maxton. Her condition is so grave that her death at any time is not unexpected.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS BOXES FOR NEEDY FAMILIES

Committees from Different Churches in Charge of Work This Christmas

The usual community Christmas boxes for needy families and individuals will be prepared and distributed in Laurinburg this Christmas, but the work will not be done by the Red Cross as heretofore because of a scarcity of funds in the Red Cross treasury. Committees have been appointed from the different churches of the city and the baskets and distributing them will work of preparing the Christmas be handled in this way.

Names of needy families and persons in absolutely distressing circumstances should be sent in at once to Mrs. E. Buchanan or to Mrs. A. M. Fairley, through church channels and organizations. It is stated that the distribution of Christmas baskets this year will be limited strictly to the very needy cases. Those who will assist the work by giving articles of food, toys, or other items, are invited to send them in not later than Wednesday, December 22.

A COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE AT WAGRAM

All the Community Will Join in Unique Event, Gifts for All, Will Sing Christmas Carols

A community Christmas tree will be held at Wagram on Christmas eve, Friday, December 24, about six o'clock. The Woman's Club and the school under the leadership of Mr. Pence, are working to make the occasion a success. People are asked to observe the Christmas spirit by giving, rather than receiving, gifts. A committee is at work finding the cases of real need in the community. Everyone who wishes to make a gift of any kind is asked to bring it to the community Christmas tree on Christmas eve. There Santa Claus will have his sleigh ready to receive them. The next day the gifts will be distributed among those who need them most. All kinds of gifts will be acceptable—fruits, groceries, canned goods, children's clothes, or warm clothing of any kind, blankets, etc.

There will be a program of Christmas songs [illegible] children leading in the singing of the Christmas carols. Plans are being made to have a beautifully decorated tree, electrically lighted. It is hoped that the whole community will join in making the occasion a time of good fellowship with the true Christmas spirit.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AT THE HIGH SCHOOL ON THURSDAY NIGHT

As announced last week, and from the churches on Sunday morning, there is being held Thursday evening at the Laurinburg High School auditorium a community song and prayer service, which will be featured by the singing of Christmas carols and other numbers. All the ministers of the city will join in the service and every one is invited to be present and join in the singing of carols and hymns.

HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA GIVES RECITAL

The Laurinburg High School orchestra, under the direction of Miss Mary Jarman, and assisted by Mrs. Eugene Morgan, Mrs. Luther Gibson and Miss Louise Grubbs, gave a splendid program at the high school on Friday evening, December 10. The attendance was not as large as it should have been, but the audience was appreciative and the program was most pleasing.

PLAY AT WAGRAM FRIDAY EVENING

Friday evening, December 17, the play entitled "The Spice of Life," a musical comedy, will be presented at the Wagram High School auditorium under the auspices of the athletic association. The public is invited to attend. This play will also be given at the Gibson High School auditorium on Thursday evening of this week.

REV. H. C. EWING CONDUCTS MEN'S PRAYER SERVICE

Rev. H. C. Ewing of Laurel Hill conducted the men's prayer service at the Scotland theatre Wednesday morning. There were 21 persons present. Another service will be held on Wednesday morning of next week at 11 o'clock. The speaker for the next meeting has not been announced.

DEATH CLAIMS COLIN M. McARTHUR

Mr. Colin M. McArthur, a well known young man of the Smyrna section, died Thursday, December 9, and was buried Saturday at Smyrna cemetery. Rev. G. F. Kirkpatrick and Rev. Carl B. Craig conducted the funeral service, which was largely attended. Mr. McArthur was 23 years of age.

CURB MARKET RE-OPENED AT LAURINBURG

Women from the Farms Offer Choice Products for Sale Saturday Morning from 9 to 11

The re-opening of a curb market at Laurinburg Saturday, December 11, was an event of interest. The curb market operated under the auspices of the home demonstration work in the county, and the lobby of the State Bank has been generously loaned to the farm women for use on Saturday mornings, where they may display their wares and make sales.

Sausage, pudding, spare ribs, back bones, fresh tomatoes, turnips, rutabagas, collards, eggs, sweet cream, butter, pecans, black walnuts, canned goods, candies and Christmas novelties were offered for sale. The market will be open again Saturday morning, December 18, from 9 to 11 o'clock at the State Bank, and also on Wednesday morning, December 22, before Christmas. After the holidays a new plan for the curb market will be announced, it is said.

It is a condition of the curb market is that things offered for sale there must come from the farm, must represent the work of farm women, and cannot be bought and sold as a commercial proposition. The curb market is established to assist the farm women in disposing of their products to advantage at cash prices. It is not proposed that any one should take advantage of it as a commercial or trading proposition. For that reason nothing can be offered for sale there except the things that have been actually produced on the farm, and not something that you have bought somewhere.

To be sure of a dressed chicken for Sunday, or a chicken or turkey for Christmas, orders may be given by telephone to No. 205, the home demonstration agent's office at the court house.

NEWS NOTES FROM GIBSON

Misses Hannah and Mary Lewis were the week-end guests of Mrs. O. L. Simpson of Marshville.

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Fletcher and daughter, Miss Mary Little Fletcher, were visitors at the home of Mrs. A. K. Odom of McColl, Sunday.

Mr. Bill McKenzie of Duke University spent the week-end here as the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. McKenzie.

Miss Sara Gibson has as her attractive guest this week, Miss Edwina Rowe of Bennettsville.

Miss Olive White returned home Friday after spending several days in Henderson and Raleigh.

Miss Rose Hamilton and Miss Alta Rush of the high school faculty of Aberdeen were week-end visitors at the teacherage here.

Mr. Clayton Wright and Misses Gladys Wright and Hannah Lewis were visitors in Hamlet Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. McMillan of Laurinburg spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sizemore.

Mr. Bill Sedberry of Washington, D. C., was a recent guest of his mother, Mrs. Alice Sedberry, and his sister, Mrs. J. C. Hunsucker.

Doctors E. A. Livingston and J. G. Pate returned home Thursday from Cuba, where they attended the Seaboard Surgeon's Convention held there last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Woods left Thursday night for Columbia, S. S., where they will spend several days visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Vivian Monro of Bennettsville was a visitor in town Saturday.

Miss Hannah Lewis of New York, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. F. Lewis, left Wednesday night for Washington, D. C., en route to New York.

Mr. R. Whiting of McColl, who for a number of years was agent for the Seaboard at Hamlet, was a welcome visitor here during the past week.

Those from Gibson who attended the Duke Alumni banquet at Laurinburg on Saturday night, December 11, were Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. C. [illegible] Grigg, Miss Margaret McKenzie and Mr. Bill McKenzie.

Mr. C. A. Jones of Lincolnton was a week-end visitor here at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. [illegible] Gibson.

The Ladies Mission Study class meets at the Gibson Methodist church on Friday afternoon. This closes the mission study work for this year.

Mr. T. C. Pate has very much of a curiosity here in the way of an ancient auto. It is twenty years

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WHITE CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

A White Christmas service will be held at the First Baptist church on Sunday evening, December 19, at 8 o'clock. There will be a special program by the Sunday School, and every one is asked to make a White gift, white envelopes will be provided for this. The hour for the service is set at 8 o'clock so as to avoid conflict with the evening services at other churches in the city. There will be no preaching service at the Baptist church on Sunday night, the White Christmas service taking the place of the usual evening worship. The public is invited to attend.