Chapter 138 .- An act to make the op-

eration or the possession for the purpose

The General Assembly of North Car

produce for or give to the person who

places coin or money, or the representa-

Section 2. Each time said machine is

Sec. 3. That it shall be unlawful for

any person, firm or corporation to oper-

ate or keep in his possession, or the pos-

session of any other person, firm or cor-

poration, for the purpose of being oper-

device, by whatsoever name known or

called, that shall not produce for or give

to the person operating, playing or pat-

ronizing same, whether personally or

through another, by paying money or oth-

erating, playing or patronizing same,

whether through himself or another, the

device, by whatsoever name known or

Sec. 4. That each time said punch-

Sec. 5. That a violation of any of the

provisions of this act shall be a misde-

meanor punishable by a fine or impris-

onment, or, in the discretion of the

force from and after its ratification.

producing materials used directly or in-

directly by the railroads

under.

A. D., 1923.

ated, any punch-board, machine for

operated as aforesaid shall constitute a

LAW REGARDING SLOT

It is as follows:

olina do enact:

VEIGHBORING VILLAGES

HAPPENINGS IN OUR

Church Sunday, the 16th, by our Hartsell. Rev. T. C. Stallings. He preach-L avery Sunday at 10 a. m. box supper at the school ay night for the benefit of

having some cold weather and ake up winter quarters at home. list, we regret to note. nen and clean out the ditches,

George Green has built an ad- shopping. his house where he lives and

Mollie Morgan and brother, A. time debonald spent a few days with her Stanly county the past week, Mr. week-end with her sister, Mrs. T. E. ser has purchased a new Ford Reed.
J. Hartsell, of Midland. Look Mr. r that isn't old "Beck."

ing to the farm of Mr. Marshal Tee- Watson. dr. George Faggart is building a new on the farm which he bought from

when it is finished. same place. We are glad to at 6:30 o'clock.

ng through the day. Come and on last Saturday night.

he will come this way, if the mud W. Stowe. MUD TURTLE.

CHINA GROVE ROUTE ONE.

bristmas is almost here and we are Myrtle Karriker spent the week-Kannapolis and near Mooresville datives and friends. Mr. Frank Harris, of Hickory, spent day night at the home of Mr. J. E. not much improved.

Messrs, J. E. and A. L. Carter have home from Albemarle for the They have been doing conwork there

G. Harris, is ill, at this writing, Mr. Albert Carter has purchased a Miss Irene Kluttz has accepted a po

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F

the Parks-Belk Company at SCHOOL GIRL.

#### PINE BLUFF SCHOOL.

most delightful birthday party was Saturday night by Misses Carrie After many interesting games mothe dining room, where cake, custard,

friends of Mr. Bud Smith iterested to know of his marriage to Miss Annie Mae Blackwelder, of We wish them a long and

Haithcock will also be interested to Mrs. W. G. Newell. now of her marriage to Mr. Dewey

Wednesday a most delightful

ergie and Lona Turner in hongrandfather, Mr. John S. the home of his son, John E. Those present were: Mrs. D. and family, of Brief; J. F. family, of Midland, Mrs and family, of Georgeville and Mrs. D. W. Turner, Mrs. Shinn and little son, Avin Tur-Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Little, Mr. as 84 years old. He received presents on that day. All enthe day and left wishing him many

ath angel visited the home of Yew Saturday night and his beloved wife. She leaves departure her husband and Mrs. Yow was loved by her, and will be greatly ssed. The bereaved family has our

SCHOOL BOY.

LOCUST.

Paul Rinehardt has moved-here with his sister. and Mrs. R. W. Barbee norning, December 15, a

Haughn, of Cakboro, is days here with her sis

ter months. The people tonsils removed at the same hospital. ant in letting Johnny ie rarely refuses to lend a whenever and wherever

needs more houses. Never until there are houses in Every dwelling is occuof the stores is used for

T. W. Bass received the ice last weak that their Hand, of Monroe, had com-

Mrs. B. L. Williams spent a

CODDLE CREEK.

also to have a Christmas tree and everybody is invited to bring their presents and put them on the tree. We are having fine sermons by our pas

tor, Rev. Mr. Stogner. Everyone enjoys progressing nicely. Mr. J. W. Black spent Thursday and a good sermon at Oak Ridge Friday with his daughter, Mrs. G. C.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Williams and chil-Everybody comes out to dren and J. W. Black motored to Char-We have services the first lotte Sunday to spend the day with Sundays at 11 a. m. and Sun- their daughter, Mrs. Ernest Dees .. Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Jones spent Sat-

oring some one with you. urday and Sunday with Mrs. Jones' parladies of the Sunday ents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hartsell. Messrs. J. F. Barr and Roy Clay are y night for the benefit of the place, for Mr. Little, who will move to of time each day.

ur community soon. Mr. G. C. Hartsell is building a dwellwriting and if the road men ing house for Mr. Bob Arant.

> and Ellie spent Tuesday in Concord Mr. P. D. Williams and son, Charles,

tenant house for Mr. B. F. have returned from a hunting trip to the mountains. They reported a fine Mrs. Mary Harvell is spending the

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stancill, of Cabarrus, spent a few hours Wednesday with The patient lives at Cabarrus, and Dr. Dock Love, of Stanly county, is Mrs. S. C. Stancil and little son, Ray S. E. Buchanan, county health officer,

ROBERTA.

There will be a Christmas exercise at he Roberta Baptist Church on December dr. John Walle and son, James, will 25, 1923, in charge of Mr. R. C. Osborne and Mr. S. S. Dulin. The public is cor-Faggart and wife have mov-dially invited. The exercises will begin

Mr. Andrew Cochran, Mr. Lewis Bill-There will be a union service of all ings, Mr. Ralph Osborne, Miss Annie Oschurches that Rev. T. C. Stallings borne and Miss Minnie Stowe attended first. the fifth Sunday of December the chicken supper at the Roberta Mill Ook Ridge beginning at 10 a. m. and gven by Miss Mary and Mr. Bud Dulin Mr. and Mrs. Dan Easley spent last

Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. Mr. Joe Smith and Mr. Bub Stowe attended the box supper at Pitts school-

nouse on last Saturday night. Mr. Watt Smith has returned home seven Springs.

The condition of little Doris Easley improved. The condition of Mrs. Correll Smith is

BROWN EYES.

NO. 10 TOWNSHIP. Christmas will soon be here. Everyone eems to have the Christmas spirit. The farmers were never in better shape to provide things that will be necessary to Messrs. Mack Brown and J. B. Roberts have installed radio sets in their homes and are spending these long evenings listening to concerts and entertain-

Mr. Jim Green was the recipient of a surprise birthday dinner last Friday. Mr. Green is a hard working man and has bora Mabry, in honor of Miss Irene reared a large family of children and deserves to be remembered in this way by

ad been played the guests were invited those who have left the old home nest. There have been a number of auction pickles and fruit were served. The guests sales around here recently. Most of the

Mr. Gresham Bost is spending awhile with home folks.

Rev. W. A. Newell and family, of friends of Miss Myrtle this week visiting his parents, Mr. and

Mr. William Brown and two sons, Rob-Broom, at her home on December 16. ert and William, of Charlotte, are visiting Mr. S. O. Chappell.

Carpenters have about completed the interior of the new church at Bethel but birthday dinner was given by for the delay in the arrival of the large windows the congregation would have held Christmas, services in the, new

Mrs. C. H. Hartsell is on the sick list Mr. Buford Howell is also sick. Mr. D. Monroe Clay has built a nice ungalow and will soon occupy it. A Merry Christmas to all.

CONCORD ROUTE THREE.

and Mss Ruth Brantley as assistant. is home on Route 3.

Miss Robbie Cook, of Concord, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Cooke.

burk's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brantley

. J. Cooke. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Otha Patterson,

December 14, 1923; a daughter. The Christmas exercises will be held at Keller Reformed Church Sunday evening, Decembere 23rd at 6 o'clock. Everyone is cordially invited. HUN.

Bluefield.

enjoyed the good things Bost, of Bost Mill) has entered a hos-having his children and pital there and had submitted an the sec-Daughters committee. ond operation. She was resting better has moved his family to today, the message stated. Friends here will engage in mill work little daughter, Hazel, also has had her

U. S. NOT TO NEGOTIATE WITH SOVIET RUSSIA

Secretary Hughes Says America Not Preposing "to Barter Away Its Princi-Washington, Dec. 18.—Secretary

Hughes informed Russian Soviet officials today in a statement transmitted through the American consul at Reval "that there would seem to be at this time no reason for negotiations," with amounted to 4.6 per cent. as compared the soviet government such as suggest- with 2.9 per cent. last year and 3.7 urchase some shoes and cloth-number of his hands who last by fire Saturday night when ig in which they ment said that the American governhe building in which they were camping at Stony Run Creek was destroyed by its principles."

In Secretary's state picket ment said that the American government "is not proposing to barter away its principles."

The biggest store in the world under 0.5; South Carolina 2.0; Georgia 11.0; one roof is in Moscow. It is a gigantic Florida 15.0; Alabama 3.5; Mississippi school is progressing nicely with department store, or bazaar, under a 8.1; Louisiana 4.0; Teyas 2.0; Arkan-Mrs. Oney Penninger as feacher. Mrs. thousand different heads, selling all sas 5.0; Tennessee 4.5; Missouri 10.0; Penninger has planned to have the kinds of goods and carrying on every Oklahoma 8.0; California 1.0; Arizona 3.0; and New Mexico 14.0.

### LOCAL MENTION

Cabarrus and the Law Is Statewide. It is now a violation of law to oper-The choir of Central Methodist Church his preaching. The Sunday school is also will have practice tonight at 7:30 o'clock. gambling devices anywhere in the State.

Trinity Lutheran Church in No. 4 township Sunday, December 23rd.

The condition of Mrs. C. O. Earnhardt, who has been critically ill for the past four weeks with rheumatism, is reported today as unchanged. The condition of Mrs. B. F. Rogers,

who has been ill for several days, is reported today as improved. Mrs. Rogers is now able to sit up for a short period

Mrs. J. T. Howell and Mrs. Shelley for any person, firm or corporation to Mrs. Oney Penninger isi on the sick lotte with Miss Lela Howell. This evepossession of any other person, firm or meeting two we way to be compared to the possession of any other person, firm or way.

Wayne Blanks. ning they wll attend the anunal Christ- corporation, for the purpose of being op-Mrs. J. F. Barr and daughters, Nellie mas concert given by Efird's Choral Club, erated, any slot machine that shall not

Marriage licenses have been issued by Register of Deeds Elliott to the following tive of either, the same return in market couples: Delmar W. Faggart and Miss value each and every time such machine Nina Krimminger, both of Concord is operated by placing money or coin Route 5; and John P. Black, of Greens-or the representative of either of them. boro, and Miss Ethel Griffin, of this

One case of smallpox was reported to separate offense. the county health department yesterday. left this morning for that town to examine the patient and members of his

City Tax Collector Fields carries a notice in this paper warning city inhabitants to pay their taxes before January first, when another penalty will be added to the original taxes. One penalty was added on December first and the

Some one last night stole the Ford touring car of Mr. V. A. Means. The car was taken while Mr. and Mrs. every time such punch-board, machine for Means were visiting friends at the home of Mrs. J. C. Gibson, the car having called, is operated, played or patronized been left in front of Mrs. Gibson's home. by paying money or other thing-of value So far Mr. Means and police officers for the privilege thereof. have heard nothing of the car.

Silas White, one of the best known board, machine for vending merchandise, clored farmers in the county, has just or other gambling device, by whatsoever rward to Santa Claus' coming. after spending a week fox hunting at killed his large Poland China hog. The name known or called, is operated, playhog weighed 850 pounds when dressed ed, or patronized by the paying of monand was one of the largest in the county. ey or other thing of value therefore, Silas declares the hog is the first he has shall constitute a separate violation of ever raised and will be the last. The section four (4) as to operation therehog was four years old.

Three defendants paid \$120 in fines in recorder's court yesterday. One man was fined \$50 for carrying a concealed weapon and also \$50 for assault with a deadly weapon. Two other men were fined \$10 each for an affray and in the case charging removing crops judgment fulfill the expectations of the little ones. was suspended upon payment of the

The electric light system of the city was interrupted last night about two o'clock. A short-circuit on one of the lines in the city made it necessary to cut off power in practically all of the residential sections of the city, and certain parts of the business section were also affected. The line was repaired before 9 o'clock this morning:

The public schools of the county will close tomorrow and at practically all of left wishing Miss Black many more hap- things sold brought good prices. Corn them appropriate exercises will be consold brought from 90 cents to \$1.25 per ducted by the students, either in the aferal Christmas season will be carried Winston-Salem, spent the first half of arranged around Christmas trees for the

Officers of the Choral Club of the city announced this morning that the meetng of the club scheduled for tonight would not be held. The next meeting will be hld on the first Thursday night in January, at which time a program for the year will be mapped out. The meeting for tonight was cancelled because of the many Christmas activities that are claiming the attention of the club mem-

The Concord Y basketball team offered no competition to the Kannapolis Y team last night, the visitors winning the onesided game by the score of 51 to 17. Roberts, for years a star on the Kannapis progressing nicely olis team, was the high scorer of the with Mr. A. M. Penninger as principal game, securing 10 field goals for 20 points. The local team still shows lack Mr. J. Fred Barnhardt is remodeling of team work. The Kannapolis team plays the Charlotte Y team at Charlotte tomorrow night.

Practically all of the cotton mills of the county will close on Saturday of this last Sunday evening with Mrs. Funder-Monday following Christmas, while others will not begin until the Monday fol-Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stirewalt, of near Salisbury, spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Stirewalt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wr. and Mrs. Stirewalt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wr. and Mrs. Week at least each Christmas, and sevweek at least each Christmas, and several of them have always made a practice of standing longer than a week.

A number of "Opportunities" are still left and persons who wish to adopt one in order to bring sunshine into a home that otherwise will be dreary Christmas, are asked to call Mrs. G. B. Lewis, the Mrs. C. B. Suther Enters Hospital at chairman of the King's Daughters committee which is arranging for the care J. E. Turner, in celebration Mr. C. B. Suther, of Bluefield, W. V., terested call Mrs. Lewis or John S. Palirthday. Mr. Turner ap- states that Mrs. Suther (nee Miss Eulah mer, chairman of the Elks' committee

> The fire department was called out twice this morning to extinguish small The first was at the home of Mrs. Dan McCurdy, where some oil caught afire, and the second was in the office of Engineer Dunlap, of the State Highway Commission. Little damage was done in each instance, and the blaze at the home of Mrs. McCurdy was extinguished without the aid of firemen. The blaze in Mr. Dunlap's office was controlled with chemicals.

Abandonment of Cotton Acreage Doubles

in a Year. Washington, Dec. 17 .- Cotton acreage abandoned after June 25th this year

The per centage of abandoned acreage by state was announced as follows: Virginia 0.5 per cent; North Carolina COLUMN SERVICE DE LA COLUMN SE DE LA COLUMN SE

ROTARY MEETING

MACHINES, PUNCHBOARDS, ETC. Members of High School Football Team Bill Introduced by Representative From Guests of the Club.

The regular weekly meeting of the Concord Rotary Club was held at the ate slot machines, punch boards, or other Y. M. C. A. Wednesday at noon, President Sam Rankin, presiding. The meet-There will be the regular services at This bill was introduced in the House at ing was opened with prayer, after which the last session of the General Assembly there was a song. by Representative J. B. Sherrill, of Ca-The members of the Concord high

barrus, and became a law March 3, 1923. school football team, Manager Brown and Messrs. McLeod and Moore, of the faculty of the school, were the guests of honor. Other guests introduced were: of operation of a slot machine, punch-board, or other gambling device, a misde-A. G. Odell, and Lewis Thomason, of the Charlotte Rotary Club.

Chairman Maury Richmond, of the program committee, announced that the Section 1. That it shall be unlawful meeting next week would be in charge business methods committee, Frank Niblock, chairman, and the meeting two weeks hence in charge of

John M. Oglesby was program chairman and introduced the members of the football team after which short talks were made by Captain Aubrey Hoover, Jr., Manager Brown, and Messrs. Mc-Leod and Moore. The speakers thanked the Rotarians for supporting the football team and taking an interest in the affairs of the school and made an earnest plea for closer co-operation between business men and the work of the high school students and faculty. At the conclusion of the program the Rotarians made a donation to the football

Make Christmas Season of Joy.

vending merchandise, or other gambling The committee of Kings Daughters making preparation for the big White Christmas states that on account of weather conditions many extra calls are being made for Old Santa and that the needs of a greater support for the Christer thing of value for the privilege of opmas baskets is more than last year. Several nice donations have been received from farmers living out of the same return in market value, each and city and it is hoped that the good people of Concord will not let this opporvending merchandise, or other gambling tunity slip to send in without delay their contributions to the Kings Daughters in order that they may have ample funds to send a real White Christmas tion will be made from the Y. M. C. A. next Monday afternoon and the time is very short in which to make this free will offering.

We want to sing the beautiful Christ mas carols around the tree, but unless the public responds generously it will with heavy hearts, for no White Christmas is complete without the spirit of giving and giving generously to those not able to do for themselves.

Guimares Sentenced to Prison

New York, Dec. 18.-Albert E. Sec. 6. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of Guimares, a central figure in the inthis act are, to the extent thereof, hereby vestigation of the murder of Dorothy Repealed.

Section 7. That this act shall be in orce from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3rd day of March, i. D., 1923.

King, today was sentenced to Atlanta for three years after he had declared he had resorted to swindling operations in order to keep the affections of a woman on whom he had spent \$60,000. King, today was sentenced to Atlanta

Two million men, according to esti-King George is five feet seven inches & mate, are employed in the woods, mines, in height. and factories of the United States in

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