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THIRD SECTION

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WEST JEFFERSON, N. C.

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## Christmas Seal Sale Is Now Underway In County

### Cooperation Of Public Is Asked To Raise Funds

#### Schools Are Again Aiding In Drive To Stamp Out Tuberculosis

Cooperation in the 42nd annual Christmas Seal sale has been good, Mrs. A. B. Hurt, county chairman of the drive, stated this week. Mrs. Hurt said that participation in the bond drive, which was conducted throughout the county last week, was excellent.

"Fight for the Fifth Freedom, Freedom from Disease," is the slogan of the drive, as it opened in the schools Monday.

The health committee in letters to teachers throughout the county, listed the following aids designed to elevate the health standard of Ashe county school children: aid in sanitation projects, lunch room needs, subscriptions to Hygeia, lunch aid for needy children, first aid supplies, essay project and field day.

Last year the following projects were completed by the committee. Mrs. Hurt stated: \$252.50 turned over to the Board of Education for use on drinking fountains and sanitation projects; seven chest X-rays for indigent patients; \$222.64 for tuberculosis welfare cases and \$200.00 for current sanitation projects.

In addition to the school seal sale and the personal contact bond sale, a mail seal sale will be conducted, Mrs. Hurt pointed out.

### Wiring Systems

#### Need Attention

"An electrical wiring system is no better than its poorest part," says H. D. Quessenberry, county agent for the State College Extension Service. "A new extension, an outlet, switch or light — any of these, if installed amateurishly, can make a safe wiring system dangerous."

The National Safety Council recommends that electrical wiring extensions as well as the original wiring system be inspected by a qualified person. When used safely, electricity brings happiness to the entire family and helps to take the backache out of routine farm chores.

Even the best wiring system needs a little attention now and then. Outside, you should check frequently for broken insulators, frayed insulation and loose or sagging wires that may contact trees or other obstructions.

Inside buildings, watch for loose outlets or switches, loose clamps at junction, damaged insulation or worn fixtures. Appliance cords need frequent attention. When defective, discard or repair them immediately.

When a fuse "blows," something is wrong — too much load on the circuit or a short circuit somewhere. Locate and remove the source of the trouble before inserting a new fuse and then be sure to use the proper size.

There is too much power packed into electric wires to gamble with. Don't delay repair — it

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### A Tribute To The Clergy

We take this opportunity to pay public tribute to the clergy of this community. In times of great sorrow, they are the source of spiritual consolation to the bereaved family. In the rendering of our service, we have always found them co-operative, friendly, anxious to do everything they can for the family. They reflect great credit upon their noble profession.

### Badger's

#### Funeral Home

West Jefferson, N. C., Phone 20

### Will See The Children Here Sat.



This little girl is telling Santa she has been good. All the children in this area will have an opportunity to do the same when he comes to West Jefferson, Saturday.

### Color, Drama In Christmas Cards Shown This Year

#### Action, Color Enhanced By Unusual Lighting Effects Make Them Different

The new Yuletide greetings are exciting as a stage designer's crayon sketches for a gigantic Christmas play.

There's a pageant-like, theatrical air to the 1948 Christmas cards as they re-create the magnificent scenes of our centuries-old Yuletide traditions.

The emphasis in this season's cards is on story-telling designs costumed in bold and vivid colors, their drama enhanced by impressionistic lighting effects. One typical and striking card portrays the gaunt, awed faces of two ragged shepherds blanched by the blinding illumination from the heavens on that first Christmas Eve.

Even the modern scenes bring to life moments of Yuletide drama — Santa pulling on his boots at midnight — the first gleam of candle-light on sparkling Christmas tree ornaments — the astonished, ecstatic smile of a child on Christmas morning.

But while this season's Christmas cards gain a delightful freshness from the new style, their themes remain staunchly traditional. This year's most popular designs are those portraying familiar and well loved Yuletide symbols — "Candies, holly, and mistletoe; Christmas trees and lots of snow," as one cards rhymes it.

"These themes are favorites because they still express the average American's conception of the ideal Christmas," observes

Mrs. C. E. Jones, Furches



## Sell Your Tobacco

in

## West Jefferson

and be sure to

## Attend The Big Tobacco Festival Saturday, Nov. 27

### G. F. P. Chevrolet Co., Inc.,

WEST JEFFERSON,

N. C.

### Motor Vehicle Inspection Lane Scheduled To Return To West Jefferson Dec. 15

#### It Is Estimated That There Are Around 200 Cars Yet Uninspected

Roy Phillips, supervisor of the North Carolina Mechanical Inspection Lane, said that the lane would return to West Jefferson and Ashe county one more time this year. Mr. Phillips stated that the lane, which left last week, will be back December 15 for several days.

Last Wednesday afternoon, lane officials reported that there are

approximately 200 vehicles in Ashe county that had not been through the lane for the initial inspection. They stated that this is in accordance with the total number of cars registered in the county.

Mr. Phillips stated that he had received good cooperation from the people of Ashe county but that he wanted to urge all vehicle owners to bring their car or truck to the lane when it returns in December.

Greeting Card Publishers. "How-ever simple his Christmas card may appear, these universal symbols add to his holiday greeting a sense of all the colorful Christmastime tradition and good will of centuries."

Americans will spend more than \$50,000,000 this year for stamps to mail their Christmas cards. This provides about one-twentieth of the Post Office Department's total annual stamp revenue.

### Progress Made In Agricultural Training Work

#### Class At Jefferson Leading In Parkway Federation; Lacey Is Instructor

The Agriculture Department at Jefferson has added a great deal of teaching aids during the past year and is now able to offer a well balanced program in Vocational Agriculture.

"The boys taking agriculture are to be commended for their interest and fine work as the Jefferson department won the Parkway Federation as the outstanding department last year and are now leading at this time all the other departments in the Parkway Federation this year. The Parkway Federation includes all schools having agricultural departments in Wilkes, Alleghany, Watauga, Avery, Mitchell and Cabarrus counties."

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## West Jefferson Attend The Festival Sat., November 27



Hazel Campbell, W. Jefferson

## West Jefferson Is The Place To Shop

West Jefferson merchants make every effort to supply your needs. Do your Christmas shopping here, where West Jefferson merchants are ready and happy to serve you.

THIS BANK IS ALWAYS READY TO SERVE YOUR NEEDS. THIS IS YOUR BANK.

## First National Bank

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West Jefferson,

J. L. SEGRAVES, Cashier

N. C.