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News and Personals from Vass

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Christmas Pageant

A Christmas pageant, "The Shepherd's Story," will be presented at the Presbyterian Church Sunday, December 15, at 7:30 p. m. under the direction of Mrs. W. E. Gladstone. The offering will go for ministerial relief. The public is invited to attend.

Engagement Announced

Mrs. G. E. Griffin announces the engagement of her daughter, Shirley Irvine Hicks, of Raleigh and Garner, to Haywood Kelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kelly of Clayton Route 2. The wedding will be solemnized on Sunday, December 22, in the Baptist Church at Garner.

Honored On Birthday

H. L. Hendrick was honored on Friday evening when his wife entertained at a dinner party in celebration of his birthday. Covers were laid for Mr. Hendrick, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Benson of Southern Pines, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Wyndham of Aberdeen, Mr. and Mrs. Stencil Stevenson and daughter, Barbara, Ralph Hendrick and the hostess.

Woman's Club

The Woman's Club will meet at 7:45 p. m. today (Friday) at the home of Mrs. P. A. Wilson, with Mrs. D. F. Cameron as program leader.

Candlelighting Service

Rehearsals were started Monday night for a Christmas candlelighting service, "The Light of Bethlehem," to be presented in the Vass Methodist Church at 7:30 o'clock on the fourth Sunday evening, December 22. The young people's department of the Sunday School and a number of adults will take part in the service. An offering will be made for the Methodist Orphans' Home in Raleigh.

Recovering

Kenneth Womack, who was the victim of a deer hunting accident, is getting along nicely following the removal of a buckshot from his head and another from a leg.

In New Home

Miss Blanche Sturdivant and Sgt. and Mrs. Willingham have moved from Star to Vass and are now located in the new bungalow on Highway 1 which Mr. Futrell of Futrell Lumber Company recently had built. Sergeant Willingham is stationed at Fort Bragg.

Initiation

We visited the Vass-Lakeview School Monday morning in connection with the seal sale, and were invited into the agriculture class room, where W. E. Gladstone and a group of his boys were holding a study period.

"You ninth graders stand up," the teacher commanded. We gazed in astonishment. Tall boys, short boys and in-between boys stood, and a queer looking bunch they were. There was J. D. Johnson with his shirt and coat on back part in front, and with a big red patch on the opposite side of his anatomy from where patches usually are. Across his shoulder was a flour sack which he said contained potatoes. "Do you carry them with you everywhere you go?" we asked. "I guess I have to," he replied. Others of the group were dressed in similar fashion. They were: Roy Reynolds, Walter Rambeaut, Ransdell, Leighton Bailey and Richard Womack, Durwood Lonnie Priest.

Mr. Gladstone explained that these "Green Hands" were being initiated, receiving the "first degree". At the next step they will become "Future Farmers," then "Carolina Farmers", and the fourth degree ushers them into the exclusive "American Farmers".

Vass-Lakeview FF boys always make a fine showing when competing with groups from their schools. At Carthage Tuesday in district seed judging competition, a team composed of Robert Bailey, Bobby Klingenschmidt and Wayland Thomas placed second, and the school won fifth place among all the schools represented.

Methodist Women Meet

The Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service met Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. H. C. Callahan, with unusually good attendance. Miss Louise Leslie presided. Miss Alberta Monroe led the

devotional service, with Mrs. W. J. Cameron offering the prayer. "World Peace and the World Federation of Methodist Women" was the program topic and readings were given by Mesdames Borst, Smith and Tyson. A discussion of Christmas plans was followed by a social hour during which delicious refreshments were served.

School Receives Gift

Vass-Lakeview School now has a fine new microphone and stand to use with its moving picture machine and speaker. The microphone is a gift from A. M. Cameron. W. E. Gladstone has already tried it out and it works most satisfactorily.

Second Son

Mr. and Mrs. Clary Thompson are receiving congratulations upon the birth of their second son, whom they have named Richard Gregory. The baby, a 10-pounder, was born December 5 in a Winston-Salem hospital. Mr. Thompson and the older son, Steve, came home from Winston-Salem this week.

HOG Killing Time

It's hog killing time again and some of the smokehouses hereabouts are being filled. Three hogs that weighed over 500 pounds each have been killed in the cotton mill village within the past few days. The owners are Charlie Brewer, Ed Callahan and Charlie Scarboro.

Personals

Mrs. P. B. Irby and daughter, Susan, returned early this week from Raleigh, where they had been visiting relatives since Thanksgiving. Captain Irby, who was with them there for a few days, went back to Atlanta from Raleigh.

John McDermott of State College, Raleigh, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. McDermott, during the weekend. Arthur Lee Humphries came home with him and visited here and at Southern Pines.

Warren Cox, who drives a Childress truck out from Sanford, spent last week at home.

Miss Phyllis Hayes of Sanford was the weekend guest of Miss Ann Fields.

Miss Margaret Lambert of Richmond, Va., came home Sunday night to be with her mother, Mrs. W. B. Lambert, who was injured in an automobile accident Thursday and is a patient at Moore County Hospital.

Mrs. W. C. Byrd returned to

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her home in Albemarle Sunday after spending some time here because of the illness and death of her mother, Mrs. J. A. Keith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cameron and Joe Cameron of Manly visited Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Smith Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Keith and son, Tommy Joe, of Fort Bragg were Sunday afternoon callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Keith.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Cagle (Jessie Mae Barnhardt) and little son, Odell, of Sanford visited their aunt, Mrs. Bertie L. Matthews, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Keith and daughter, Nancy Carolyn, of Sanford, Misses Shirley and Jacqueline Hicks of Raleigh and Garner, Royster Baker of Willow Springs, and Haywood Kelly of Clayton were Sunday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Griffin.

Mrs. J. D. Thompson, Mrs. Arch Thompson and Mrs. Pleasants, of Aberdeen, spent Sunday afternoon calling on friends and relatives in the Cranes Creek section. They visited Miss Eva Graham, who recently returned from Mercy Hospital in Charlotte, and her sister, Miss Kate Graham, also Misses Sallie and Bessie Cameron and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Keith.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Rollins of Pinebluff had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hendrick Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Keith was a weekend guest in the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Keith, of Sanford.

Jackson Springs

Christmas Party

The Business Woman's circle met last week at the Community hall for their joy gift program

and Christmas party. Mrs. Herbert Carter, chairman, presided, with Mrs. Robert Henderson, recording the minutes.

Mrs. W. M. Thompson was in charge of the program on peace, concluding with the reception of joy gifts by candle light. Mrs. Elmer Blue was in charge of refreshments which were dainty

sandwiches shaped like Christmas trees and stars, popcorn balls, nuts and drinks. Gifts were exchanged by the 16 members.

About 20 per cent of the world's wheat and 58 per cent of the corn is supplied by the United States.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

How to Stop Worrying

I guess folks in our town do about as much worrying as in yours—over housing and prices, and crops, and jobs—and the little domestic problems that are always coming up.

Dad Hoskins, who's lived to the happy age of eighty, has a simple formula for stopping worry. About every problem, he asks himself: Is there anything I can do about it? If there is, he never postpones making a decision, or taking necessary action.

If there isn't anything he can do about it, he sets aside a "worrying

hour" after dinner, and gets his worrying over in one concentrated period. When that's over, he relaxes over a friendly glass of beer with Ma Hoskins—and they talk about pleasant things together, until bedtime.

From where I sit, that's as workable a formula as you could find... right down to the mellow glass of beer that seems to wipe away your worries.

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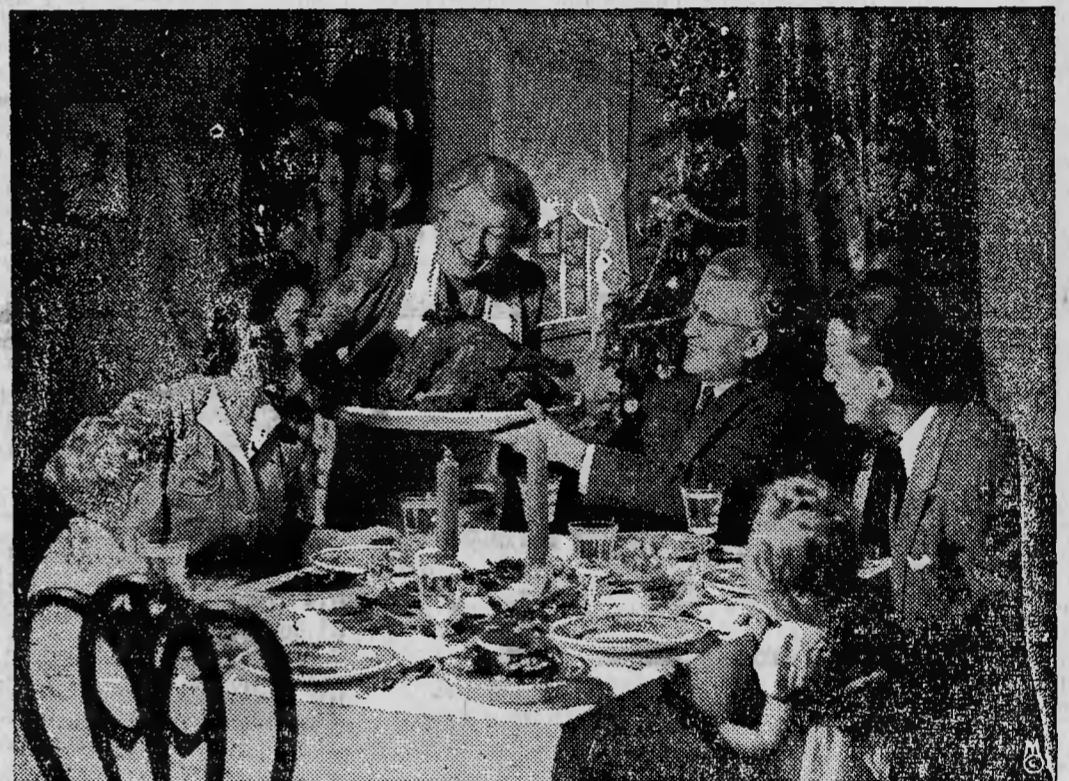
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