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begin in the individual schools where a school-winner will be selected by school officials during February and March. The school winner will advance to the county finals and county winners to the district finals. After five district winners have been selected, the five finalists will compete for state honors in the finals to be held in Raleigh.

The state winner will receive a year's tuition scholarship to any state college or university plus a cash award. Prizes for county, and district winners will also be awarded.

In many schools, the entries in the contest are being handled thru the vocational agriculture teachers and the home economics teachers, however, in schools where these are not available, any rural youth may enter by asking his teacher to write Robert A. Ponton, Farmers Cooperative Exchange, Raleigh, North Carolina.

The contest is jointly sponsored by the N. C. Cotton Growers Cooperative Association and the Farmers Cooperative Exchange.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Smith and children, Linda and Lynn, spent the holidays in Winston-Salem and Raleigh. They returned home on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Tweed and daughter, Nancy, will return today from Lynchburg, Va., where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Browner.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kirk over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas and sons, Hugh and Johnny, and Miss Louise Davis of Atlanta, Ga., and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Plunkett and sons, Jerry and Richard, of Clemson, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolfe of Brooklyn, N. Y., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lessing and daughter, Mrs. Wolfe is the sister of Mrs. Lessing.

Mrs. Carl Metcalf of Asheville is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hooper and son, Drew, spent the week-end with Mrs. Hooper's brother, Paul

VANDENBERG IS BACK ON THE JOB



FOR THE FIRST TIME since last October, when he underwent a serious lung operation, Michigan's Sen. Arthur Vandenberg returns to his Washington office where he is shown as he met newsmen. The Republican foreign policy maker was reported in excellent shape. (International)

Western Carolina Baptist Confer. in Franklin Jan. 9

The Western North Carolina Baptist Pastors' conference will be held at the First Baptist church in Franklin Monday, Jan. 9, at 10:00 a. m.

The program will be as follows: Sutton, and family at Lake Junaluska.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Bryson and daughter, Anna, of Rutherfordton have returned home after spending several days during the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bryson, Jr.

Mrs. Sam Rhea, who has been spending the past few months in Chattanooga, Tenn., was a visitor in Sylva on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Whitt Davis and daughter, Miss Nancy Davis, of Asheville spent the week-end with relatives here.

10:00 a.m., Devotion; 10:15, business with Rev. S. L. Lamm, presiding. Program theme, "The New Testament Church." 10:30, "It's Foundation" by Rev. D. D. Gross; 10:50, "Its Membership" by Rev. L. G. Elliott; 11:10, "Its Ordinances" by Rev. C. M. Warren; 11:30, "Its Power" by Rev. J. Allen Morris; 11:50, "Its Mission" by Rev. W. C. Pipes; and 12:10, "Its Triumph" by Rev. Paul Nix.

Lunch will be served by the host church at 12:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Terrell returned to Atlanta Sunday after spending Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Terrell and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Barrett.

Bobby Terrell returned Tuesday to Asheville after spending the holiday season here.

THE YEAR IN RELIGION

Latest available statistics, which are for 1948, show that church members are 53.3 percent of the population of the United States. The distribution is practically unchanged—60 percent Protestant, 33 percent Roman Catholic, 6 percent Jewish. The percentage increase was a little more than for the previous year—Protestant, 2.98 percent; Roman Catholic, 3.09 percent.

The most striking religious statistics are those released in the World Christian Handbook showing figures for communicant memberships and for what is called the "Christian communities" in non-Christian countries since 1925. In most areas, both of these have been multiplied by a factor of from 4 to 10, and in some places by much more than that. Even if, as seems possible, some error has crept in through taking too low a figure for the base year, the growth during this quarter-century of modern missionary work has been spectacular, in spite of the aftermath of one world war and the desolating impact of another.

Outside of Europe and America, the most significant aspect of World Christianity is the develop-

Greens Creek Host To Sunday School And Singing Convention

Because of a conflict both of the above meetings will be held with the Greens Creek Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon, January 8.

Mr. F. E. Parker, Associational S. S. Superintendent, announces that the S. S. meeting will begin at 2:00 P. M. The following program will be very brief. Hymn, "Stand Up For Jesus"; Prayer; Business and Announcements; Sermon, Rev. G. E. Scruggs; Prayer.

Mr. Joe Messer, President of the Singing Convention, announces that the Singing will begin around 3:00 P. M.

Every one is urged to attend these meetings. (Note the Sunday School Meeting is starting at 2:00 instead of 2:30). Try to have your church represented.

ment of the "younger Churches." Indicative of this was the meeting of delegates from the Christian Councils of India, Burma, Ceylon, Indonesia, Japan, China, the Philippines, Siam, Australia and New Zealand, recently held at Bangkok.

In the United States, the year has been marked by "advance movements" and "crusades" conducted by many denominations separately and by co-operative

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into a scrap a definite underdog, but the 307 pound giant is an experienced wrestler.

The bout is to be held at the Spruce Pine skating rink beginning at 8:30 p.m. 16 pounds of boxing will act as preliminary entertainment. Jimmy Miles, 165 pounder from Brevard will match up with Herb Lambert, 170 pounder from Cherokee, and Billy Stromson at 162 pounds from Morganton will go against Sammy Smith of Cherokee who tips the scales at 160. Both matches will be scheduled for 8 rounds or less.

agencies. October saw the launching of a fifteen-months United Evangelistic Advance, sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches with its twenty-seven members denominations (and some others co-operating), the International Council of Religious Education, the United Council of Church Women, and the Home Missions Council. If this campaign succeeds in activating 100,000 churches to evangelistic effort, as planned it will make history for 1950; but the initiation of it is part of the record of 1949.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Andrews announce the birth of a daughter, Denissa, on Jan. 1 in Mercy hospital, Charlotte.

Mrs. Andrews is the former Miss Barbara Dillard of Sylva.

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Mr. and Mrs. John R. Womack have announced the birth of a son, John William, on Monday, Dec. 19, at City Hospital, Winston-Salem. Mr. Womack, formerly of Sylva, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Womack.

Sylva PTA To Meet

Mrs. Dan K. Moore, president of Sylva Parent-Teacher Association has announced that the organization will meet in the elementary auditorium next Tuesday evening at 7:45. The program will center around the part music plays in our schools. Miss Jean Barrett will talk on the music program and her students, along with those of Nell Johnson, will render a musical program.

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 - Dessert Dried 1 lb Pkg PEACHES . . . 29c
 - Dessert Dried 1 lb Pkg APPLES . . . 33c

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- #### FANCY WESTERN WINESAP
- Apples 3 lbs. 33c
- #### U. S. NO. 1 IRISH
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| Crisp Green 3 Pounds | Fresh Green 2 Lbs |
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| Celery 2 for 25c | Oranges . 47c |
| Fcy Yellow Crook Neck 2 lbs | Bright Red 2 Bunches |
| Squash . 21c | Radishes . 19c |
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| Peas . . 21c | Grapes . . 25c |

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