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THE DEBT

For the youth they gave and the blood they gave.
For the strength that was our stay.
For every marked or nameless grave.
On the steel-toned Flanders way.
We who are whole of body and soul,
We have a debt to pay.
For the youth they gave and the blood they gave.
We must render back the due.
For every marked or nameless grave.
We must pay with a service true.
Till the scales stand straight with even weight.
And the world is a word made new.
—Theodosia Garrison.

Church News

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
P. D. Patrick, Pastor
9:45 A. M. Sunday School.
Mr. Carl Davidson, General Supt.
Mr. Harry Page, Asst. Supt.
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.
Celebration of The Lord's Supper.
1:00 P. M. Sunday School and Service at Dixon. Mr. J. G. Darracott, Supt.
7:30 Evening Worship and School of Missions.
Monday 7:00 P. M. Boy Scouts, Troop 1. Mr. Carl Davidson, Scoutmaster; Mr. Broadus Moss, Assistant Scoutmaster.

ST. MATTHEWS LUTHERAN CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00.
W. K. Mauney, Supt.
Morning Worship 11:00.
Annual Congregational meeting.
7:30 P. M. Sermon by Rev. Walter T. Nan, of Lexington, N. C.
We Welcome You.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH
Paul E. Alfred, Pastor
9:45 Sunday School.
Mr. C. R. King, Supt.
11:00 Women's Missionary Service.
6:30 Young People's service.
7:30 Evangelistic meeting.
7:30 Wednesday prayer service.
A cordial welcome is extended to all to worship with us.

BOYCE MEMORIAL A. B. F. CHURCH
R. K. Baird, Minister
10:00 A. M. Morning Worship and Holy Communion.
3:30 P. M. These Auxiliaries meet:
The Men of the Church
The Missionary Society
The Junior Christian Union.
7:00 P. M. Interdenominational Christian Union. Young People's Christian Union.

WEDNESDAY:
8:00 P. M. Wednesday Veppers.

—JOB PRINTING — PHONE 167—

LET'S LOOK BACK

Items reported from files of The Kings Mountain Herald of past years:

IT WAS ONLY 20 YEARS AGO WHEN

New for a few of the Christmas-children: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Campbell, a son, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wright, a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Allen, a son.

IT WAS ONLY 25 YEARS AGO WHEN

Dr. and Mrs. Hendrix left for Staunton, N. C., after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Williams.

Personals

(Cont'd from back page)
Miss Marie White, senior at Coker college, Hartsville, S. C., spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn White.

Sgt. and Mrs. Yates W. Conner and son, Michael of Greenwood, Miss., have returned after spending Christmas here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Conner and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ware, Frank Jr., and Miss Jessie Jane Weir of Gastonia and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Spake of Shelby were visitors at the home of Mrs. D. F. Hord during the holidays.

Miss Emily Wilson spent the Christmas holidays at the home of her brother and family in Littleton. Her brother has four sons in the service, two having been in England for sometime.

During the Christmas season at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Mauney the J. S. Mauney children, grand-children and great grand-children celebrated their usual get-together meeting for the holidays. Thirty four of the family were present.

Pvt. Otis Falls, Jr., of the A. S. T. R. P. N. C. State College, Raleigh, spent the week end at home bringing with him three of his friends, Pvt. William Cross of Baltimore, Md., Pvt. Guy Bias of Muskogee, Okla., and Pvt. Walter Coney of Cathbert, Georgia.

Miss Jett Plonk returned Sunday afternoon after a holiday visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Patterson in Gastonia. She was accompanied home by Mrs. Pat O'Connell and Mrs. Norman Morrow who were guests at the home of Mrs. D. F. Hord for the afternoon.

Jimmy Porter, Pharmacist 2-C, Mrs. W. R. Porter of Shelby and other members of their family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Goforth Tuesday night. Young Porter recently returned from the Pacific area where he has been closely associated with I. Ben Goforth, Jr., and Wm. Lawrence Mauney, both of Kings Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Hayes had as house guests during the holidays Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hayes and little Misses Patricia and Becka Hayes of Charleston, S. C., Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Towner and small daughter, Jenn Hayes, of Ochsboro, La. O. T. Hayes Jr., of Panama City, Fla., Telegrapher 2-C Ned Hayes who arrived for the holidays from London, England, and Endicott Third Class Dorothy Hayes now stationed in Charleston, S. C.

BOY WAS BORN AND GROWN

HERE AND THERE

Raymond E. Lynch

Your Editor's heart is heavy. Indeed because of the number of Kings Mountain boys who are reported killed or missing in action in this time of The Herald. A total of five are mentioned in this one issue, two killed and three missing in action. To the families of the young men we offer our deepest and most sincere sympathy.

While some are made sad, others are made happy. Ship Falls met me and was very happy to report that he had received the first letter in a long time from his son, Glenn, a prisoner of the Germans. And the Hunter Porter son and Charlie Warkins were extremely happy to receive a surprise visit from their Naval grandson and son, Bud, who dropped in Tuesday night for a ten day furlough. Mrs. Patterson was in the office Tuesday night and I asked her about Bud. She said they had not heard from him in quite some time and did not know where he was. Little did she know right at that time he was enroute home for a visit.

Mrs. A. E. Gline came by the office to ask The Herald to thank everyone for being so thoughtful and kind to her and Mr. Gline during the holidays. Mr. Gline has been a "dunk-in" for quite some time and it is a great pleasure to have friends stop by for a friendly chat. Mrs. Gline said, "People were so nice to us that we want everyone of them to know that we really appreciate their many kind wishes."

RANDOM NOTES

by Mrs. A. E. Patterson

He came to my desk with a quivering lip—

The lesson was done—
"Dear teacher, I want a new leaf," he said,
"I have spoiled this one."
In place of the leaf so stained and blotted,

I gave him a new one all unspotted,
And into his and eyes smiled—
"Do better now, my child."

I went to the throne with a quivering soul—
The old year was done—
"Dear Father, hast thou a new leaf for me?"

I have spoiled this one."

He took the old leaf, stained and blotted,
And gave me a new one all unspotted,
And into my sad heart smiled—
"Do better now my child."

—Kathleen R. Wheeler.
The above poem began ringing in my ears as the New Year drew near and wishing to share the sentiment with whatever readers, I chance to have, I searched for it from memory to attic but before I had found it, I heard it given Sunday morning as the conclusion of a soul-searching sermon on "What is Your Life?"

"You are truly a 'home-front' soldier," is a part of a message to Mrs. W. A. Mauney, in a letter written her by Mrs. Cordelia D. Wolf, from Volunteer Special Service Headquarters, American Red Cross.

The letter received sometime ago was looked upon by Mrs. Mauney as her own private, personal property and not interested for publication, but due to the fact that it may prove an inspiration to others we give the following excerpts:

"Our problems connected with this phase of our program, would not exist, if all our helpers were as faithful as you—it must surely be a source of great satisfaction to you to realize how many of our fighting boys have been made more comfortable by the garments you have made.

"You are truly a home front soldier and we are grateful to you for the splendid record you have achieved."

Mrs. Mauney, who is nearing her 60th birthday, has a record so creditable for one of her age. At the end of the year 1944 she had 4275 Red Cross service items to her credit. She has made more than 250 knitted garments, including 20 helmets, 25 mittens, 15 drawstring scarves, 25 neck-warm scarves, 9 pairs socks, 7 shirts. Later when a Red Cross year was available, Mrs. Mauney completed squares and completed an Afghan for one in an Army hospital.

Chas. Warkins, Jr., known 2-C, is on a surprise visit to his home after spending the Christmas holidays at camp in the Charleston harbor. Young Warkins came in late Tuesday night.

SAVES OF THANKS

I want to thank all of those that remembered me Christmas, especially the U. S. G. chapter and the Girls of the Kings Mountain church, also a special mention to a neighbor who will give me pleasure the year around.

day night, heavily loaded with Christmas gifts for all members of the family—and gifts purchased in the De Janeiro, and carried with him on his trip to Trinidad and other stops. He knew he was homebound and decided he could deliver his gifts quicker than the U. S. mails.

The next best thing to having their own boys at home for the holidays, happened to the I. B. Goforth's and the R. L. Mauney's when Jimmy Porter, Pharmacist 2-C paid them a visit last week and gave them the latest news direct from their sons whom he left on beautiful Russell Island.

Young Porter, after 18 months in service was granted time for a visit home before reporting for reassignment and is now at the home of his mother in Shelby. He had been closely associated with Ben Jr., and Wm. Lawrence. Was with them during the Paris engagement and at other times when going was tough but assures their families that he left them well and reasonably happy. Young Porter delivered a letter to Mrs. Wm. L. Mauney, which had been entrusted to his care. When asked for a longer visit, he said he was spending most of his time with his mother, who underwent a serious operation in recent months. His father died in September.

Little Laura Marie and Sara Elieabeth Barnes were happy indeed when they received two little Italian dolls sometime before Christmas. —E. Barnes, who had been in a hospital for treatment and later transferred to a hotel in Italy to attend to his convalescent days, was unable to attend to his shopping in person, so he engaged the services of a bell hop.

The bell hop came back with the news that he found some dolls but they were \$6.00 each. He was told to "get those dolls," so in due time they arrived in the States— attractive little Italian ladies, complete with lace-trimmed petticoats, dresses and head-dress.

Among our Christmas messages was one from Mrs. Finger and of course it started us to thinking of Mrs. Finger and Sam and to wondering how they were spending the holidays away out on the West Coast. —then along came a lovely note from Sam on New Year's Day and with it a check for Herald renewal. The note said in part: "I look forward each week to the arrival of the Herald. The news is usually a week late when it gets here but it's good news to me. We have had a nice Christmas and are so happy to have mother with us.—You have heard I'm sure, of our new baby, Sarah Jane. She is quite a delightful addition to our family."

"Not luck, but God," writes A. G. Magrath, Jr., to his parents in telling them of his narrow escape from death. He was struck in the neck by a piece of shrapnel which fortunately stopped at the trachea.—A. G. was flown from the front in Germany to a hospital in England and his letter dated Dec. 29, says he's in a comfortable bed with three hot meals each day.

Before the ink is dry on the above we get the distressing news that five young Jimmy Darracott is "missing in action in the Pacific area" and we find no words for what we'd like to say.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Arthur Ray, deceased, late of Cleveland County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate said deceased to exhibit them underigned at Kings Mountain, North Carolina, on or before the day of December, 1944, or this will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to an estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This 21st day of December, 1944. Mrs. Mary Gardner Ray, Administrator of the Estate of Arthur Ray, Deceased. —adv-224-21.

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CITY HALL
DURING JANUARY
Books Will Close January 31st
Failing To List Will Result In Your Being
Fined By Law
List Your City Taxes Now!
O. C. OFARRELL, City Tax Master

Best Wishes For 1945
GRATEFULLY we acknowledge the part you have had in the growth and success of our business. Without the support of our friends our business would be no pleasure at all. So through this message we would like to convey the thought that we appreciate you and wholeheartedly thank you for your favors and kindness.
As we look to the New Year we resolve to serve you in the same way that has merited your confidence in the past.
May The New Year Hold In Store For You Lots Of Health, Wealth, Happiness and Success in Your Every Undertaking.
If There Is Anyway We Can Be of Service To Families Of Men In The Armed Forces, We Will Be Only Too Glad To Help.
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