

Scene in "Why The Chimes Rang"—Left to right, James Webster, Avis Ferguson, Wesley Suit, Rev. Roland Moncure, Jane Sugg, Charlotte Franklin, Arlyn Sanford, Peggy Sapp and Mildred Hobson.

## **Hundreds Enjoy Council Christmas Programs**

Approximately 1500 persons attended the special Christmas program for the members of the Carolina Cooperative Council, the Junior Carolina Council, their wives, husbands and guests in the Leaksville-Spray junior high school auditorium, December 19. A Christmas play, "Why the Chimes Rang", presented in afternoon and evening performances, was much enjoyed.

Special entertainment and prizes for children featured the afternoon program. Each child was given a lollipop as he or she entered the door, and 15 other prizes were awarded in a stunt

## Councils Will Hear Management Reports

Harold W. Whitcomb, president of Fieldcrest Mills, and E. W. Medbery, production manager, will present reports on mill operations at the meeting of the Carolina Cooperative Council and Junior Carolina Council at Consolidated Central Y.M.C.A. at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening, January 21.

The Company officials will review mill operations in 1953 and discuss the outlook for the business in the coming year.

A special feature of the Council program will be honorary awards to William A. Blackburn, a charter member, in recognition of his completion of 50 years of continuous service with the Company on January 1.

Over the past twenty years new finishing processes have revolutionized the fashion field by giving cotton a large variety of new finishes. The same cotton cloth can be finished to appear as chintz, denim, cord, satin, chambray, gingham, matelasse, moire, or pique.

using balloons lettered to spell "Field-crest Mills". The grand prize, a live parakeet, was won by Barbara Lee, eight years old.

J. B. Lamar, council president, introduced both afternoon and evening programs. Harold W. Whitcomb, president and E. W. Medbery, production manager, spoke briefly on each program extending Christmas greetings from the management to the council members and guests. Rev. Earl York, pastor of Draper Christian church, gave the invocation and Raymond Endicott, council attendance chairman, and Jones Norman, personnel director, were in charge



Eight-year-old Barbara Lee holds cage containing the parakeet which won at the Carolina Cooperative Coil's children's program December Brother Bruce (right) leans over a closer look.

of stunts at the afternoon program.

A capacity audience attended evening performance of the play was preceded by selections from Messiah" presented by the Trick Choral Club under direction of Douglasse. Ernest L. Funderburk of Blanket Mill received the attendary prize, a large dressed turkey. The vocation was given by Rev. H. P. All ander, president of the Leaksville.



Merle Peterson, Edna Baucom, Almeria Gordon, Priscilla Berry, Claudia and Sarah Slate. Men shown left to right are: Carl Rhodes, Lawrence Wesley Suit, Art Lewis, C. W. Walker, John Yeatts, Jimmy Adkins, William and Dan Lashley. Ladies in upper part of picture are: Catherine Mangan, Taylor Davidson, Judy Martin, Dorris E. Sturtevant, and Mamie Link.