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Ronald E. Herren, of the U. S. Navy, Great Lakes, Ill., has returned, after spending the holidays with Mrs. Herren and Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Woodard.

Mr. and Mrs. Talmage Corbett and daughter, Brenda, of Baltimore, Md., were guests of relatives and friends here during the holidays.

Lieut. Joe D. Richardson, Jr., of Camp Hood, Texas; Capt. and Mrs. Edwin L. Coble, of Cambridge, Ohio; Petty Officer Charles Richardson, of Manchester, Mass., and Mrs. J. L. O'Quinn, of Raleigh, visited Mrs. Pearl B. Richardson during the holiday season.

Litchfield Carty, of Durham, and Charles Fred Carty, of Rockford, Ill., visited friends here last week for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman M. Screws, of Zebulon, were dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Screws, Christmas Day.

Mrs. Hugh Evans, of Raleigh, was the guest of her parents, Judge and Mrs. W. P. Aycock, for several days during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lamb, of Garland, spent the week end with their mother, Mrs. G. F. Brietz.

Lieut. Bill Hooks, of Philadelphia, Penn., and Mrs. W. J. Hooks of Kenly, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Gaskill last week end.

W. W. Hare, of Washington, D. C., is spending some time here with Mrs. Hare.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Whitler spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Danville, Va.

Ed Womack spent the holidays in Jacksonville, Fla., with his sister, Mrs. Jessica Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Woodard and daughter, of Goldsboro, spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Woodard.

James Creech, of Durham, has returned, following a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Creech.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thad Woodard spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Woodard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Danielly, in Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald E. Herren were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Woodard in Goldsboro Christmas Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibson Fields and children, of Angier, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fields.

Leslie Ward, of Norfolk, Va., visited relatives and friends here last week.

Pfe. Harold Hogue, who has been stationed at Biloxi, Miss., is being transferred to Fort Bragg, following a furlough spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hogue.

Mrs. David C. Shuler, Jr., who has been ill at Rex Hospital, has returned to her home here much improved.

J. T. Hughes, Jr., who is studying Dentistry at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, in connection with the Army Special Training Unit, visited his mother, Mrs. J. T. Hughes, this week.

Lieut. and Mrs. John Flowers, of Thomasville, Ga., are spending a few days with Mrs. Flowers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hinton.

Her many friends will be glad to know that Mrs. W. T. Woodard is improving, following an illness of several days.

Miss Ann Grimsley, of Newport News, Va., spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Bertha Grimsley.

Mrs. John C. Rose, of Fremont, Mr. and J. C. Rose, Jr., of Bobro Ration Field, Fla., visited Mr. J. H. Griffin Sunday.

Miss Nancy Lou Rose of Fremont, visited Mr. J. H. Griffin Thursday.

Mr. R. Britt spent Christmas with his family in Portsmouth, Va. He was accompanied as far as Suffolk, Va., by M. L. Stencil and daughter, Betty Jo., who spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Martin.

Miss Margaret Kirby, who holds a government position in Norfolk, Va., spent Christmas here with her mother, Mrs. W. T. Kirby.

Mr. D. Cole Ray has returned to Lexington, Ky., after spending the holidays with relatives in and near Selma.

Mr. Tom Ray made a business trip to Portsmouth, Va., last week.

Mrs. Ruth Whitley and Miss Iva Blackie, of Augusta, Ga., spent the Christmas holidays here with the Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Watson, parents of Mrs. Whitley.

Mrs. W. H. Watson recently spent some time with Mrs. E. W. O'Neal in Clayton, who has been ill.

Mr. John W. Blackman spent the Christmas holidays with his daughter, Mrs. W. E. Comer, in Greensboro. Mrs. Comer and sons, Johnny and Ernest, returned home with him for a few days visit.

Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Blackman have returned, after spending Christmas with Mrs. Blackman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Moore, in Battleboro.

Sgt. Yates Perry, of Camp Atterbury, Ind., is spending a 15-day furlough with his mother, Mrs. E. C. Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Norton and daughter spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hodge in Kenly.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Peedin of Goldsboro, were guests of relatives

here during the holidays.

Miss Beatrice Hooks, who teaches at Sanatorium, visited her sister, Mrs. E. N. Booker, last week.

Miss Virginia Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, of Richmond, Va., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd C. Price, Jr., last week.

Mrs. J. A. Hodge of Kenly, and Miss Arzelle Hodge, member of the Jackson school faculty, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mrs. W. L. Norton.

Mrs. Walter Price spent Christmas Day with her mother, Mrs. Carlton in Warsaw.

Heywood Younger has returned to Burlington where he works for the Duke Power and Light Company, after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Younger.

Miss Ida Hodge, of Goldsboro, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. L. Norton, last week.

Miss Alice DuBose, student at Pfeiffer Junior College, Misenheimer, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. DuBose.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ingram and son spent the week end with relatives in Marners.

Mrs. G. W. Blount has returned from Spartanburg, S. C., where she attended the wedding of her brother, Cpl. Ernest V. Woodard, Jr., of Fort Bragg, spent Christmas week end with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bone have returned to their home in Newport News, Va., after spending the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Richardson of Kenly, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Kirkpatrick and daughter, Kay Temple, of Durham, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Temple and sons, Jack and Joe, Jr., of Kinston, spent a portion of the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Temple.

Sgt. Ralph Crocker of Fort Bliss, Texas, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Crocker, Selma, Route 1.

Mr. James Creech of Durham, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Creech.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Johnson, Herbert Morgan and son, Charles, of Hampton, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Corbett of Newport News, Va., Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Dupree of Smithfield, were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Brown.

Mrs. Viola Ellis, of Clayton spent the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. Annie Barham, at the Merchants Hotel here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hobbs and son, Gibbon, Jr., spent the Christmas holidays in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. N. J. Creech was called to Durham Sunday on account of the illness of her daughter, Mrs. M. O. Long, who is suffering from an attack of influenza.

**Mrs. E. G. Hobbs Is Hostess To Auxiliary**

The members of the Selma American Legion Auxiliary were entertained at one of the loveliest parties of the season at the home of Mrs. E. G. Hobbs, with Mesdames Raleigh Griffin, Oscar Bailey, Harold Hogue, and W. L. Etheridge as co-hostesses. The parlors were beautifully decorated, carrying out the Christmas colors of red and green. Being banked with greens and lovely cut flowers tied with red, white, and blue ribbon, the mantel with burning red candles attracted everyone's eye. The beautiful Christmas tree and poinsetta gave a wonderful Christmas environment.

On arriving the guests were directed to their places at the tables where a delicious meal was served, consisting of baked chicken, dressing, cranberry sauce, cream potatoes and peas, stuffed celery and lemon tarts. Places were set for thirty guests.

Finishing the delightful meal, there was a brief business session held with the president, Mrs. E. G. Hobbs, presiding. After this the meeting was turned over to the program chairman, Mrs. Raleigh Griffin, who presented Miss Covington who gave a Christmas reading. Following the reading, carols were sung by the guests. Mrs. A. Z. Thompson won in the Christmas Tree contest.

The party ended by playing bingo, with Mesdames J. T. Hughes, A. Z. Thompson, G. A. Earp, B. A. Henry, W. D. Perkins, C. A. Bailey, and Misses Covington and Mammie Bailey as winners.

**Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Brown Entertain**

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Brown entertained at a turkey dinner at their home here on Christmas night, when covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bone and son, Howell, of Newport News, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Howell of Selma; Pfc. and Mrs. Willie D. Howell of Portsmouth, Va.; Miss Gertrude Hudson, together with the host and hostess, and their son, Al Brown.

About 1,800,000 cases of catsup have been made available to civilian consumers from the Government set-aside reserves during the past month.

## Joint Hostesses At Christmas Party

Mrs. Narvin Creech and Mrs. Bill Thad Woodard were joint hostesses at a lovely Christmas party Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Creech, when they entertained the members of the Delta Dekka bridge club and their husbands.

Decorations appropriate to the season were in evidence throughout the rooms in which the guests were received. A dessert course, consisting of fruit cake, whipped cream and coffee, was served.

Following refreshments gifts were exchanged, after which contract was played. Mrs. Floyd C. Price, Jr. scored high for women and J. Narvin Creech for men. Each was presented an attractive prize.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Howell, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd C. Price, Jr., Mrs. Hayden Wiggs, Mrs. Walter Price, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thad Woodard, and Mr. and Mrs. Narvin Creech.

## Circle "C" Celebrates With Christmas Dinner

Members of Circle "C" of the Methodist church were entertained Wednesday evening at their annual Christmas dinner at the home of Mrs. G. H. Younger, on North Pollock Street, with Mesdames Harry Everett, Bill Thad Woodard, Rudolph Howell and G. H. Younger as hostesses.

A two course turkey dinner was served amid Yule-tide decorations, which included a colorful tree, with packages piled beneath. Later these gifts were exchanged among the members.

All joined in singing Christmas carols, led by Mrs. Narvin Creech. Mrs. G. W. Blount told a Christmas story, after which the guests played Bingo. Mrs. Ben Brantley won high score prize, and Mrs. Aaron Lassiter received the consolation prize.

New officers elected for the ensuing year were: Circle Leader—Mrs. W. P. Aycock; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Ross Ingram.

## Selma Man's Niece To Wed In Early Spring

The engagement of Miss Lela Overton of Quantico, to Lewis Franklin Hobbs, Jr., of Silver Spring, Md., was made Saturday night by Miss Overton's brother, Leroy Overton, at an announcement party at the Overton home on Ohio Ave., Quantico, Md.

Miss Overton, daughter of Mrs. J. D. Overton, Quantico, has chosen March 4 for her wedding date.

She is a graduate of Wicomico high school and completed secretarial courses at Temple University. Mr. Hobbs, graduate in bacteriology of the University of Maryland, is a food and drug inspector for the Maryland State Health Department.

Miss Overton has been secretary for the County Health Department at Quantico for several years.

Miss Overton is well remembered in Selma, where she has visited on numerous occasions. She is a niece of Mr. E. M. Gordy of Selma.

The Sixth Annual Veterinary Conference will be held at State College, January 25 through 28.

## WEEKLY SERMON

### The Sucker Never Wins

By the Rev. Warren Filkin, Ph.D., Member of Faculty, Moody Bible Institute, Chicago

"Never give the sucker a break." That, says Mickey MacDougal, is the slogan of the professional gambler, and he says you can't win.

It has just occurred to me that if this is true with one's dealings with the professional gambler, it is true even more with one's dealing with the devil.

The devil also says, "Never give the sucker a break"; never let him win; make him lose every time; have no conscience whatsoever; the sucker ought to have more sense than to play with me.

That is the way the devil does, and that is the way the devil talks, and the proof of it is seen in the human wreckage that one may see almost anywhere in this old world.

Romans 6:23 says, "The wages of sin is death." Numbers 32:23 says, "Be sure your sin will find you out." Galatians 6:7 says, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

Billy Sunday used to say, "Chickens come home to roost." It was true in Billy Sunday's day; it is true today. The devil still says, "Never give the sucker a break," and he knows that "the wages of sin is death."

But the devil knows something else that he will not tell, and it is the last half of Romans 6:23: "The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

### Among The Sick.

Mr. Ed Creech, owner of Clean-M-Right Cleaners, is confined to home limits on account of illness.

Mr. L. Gurkin, who has been on the sick list for some time, is improving, his many friends will be glad to learn.

Mrs. Norvell Smith is ill at her home here, suffering from an attack of flu.

Mr. B. F. Proctor, manager of Proctor's Store, is among those suffering an attack of flu.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hughes are both ill at their home in this city.

Mr. R. P. Oliver, who suffered a heart attack some time ago, continues ill at his home here. His many friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

John T. Hughes has been confined to her bed for several days on account of illness.

Mayor B. A. Henry is back on the job after an illness of several days. Mrs. D. H. Wilson and children were confined to home quarters during the holidays on account of flu.

The FDA is considering the possibility of increasing the supply of margarine for civilian rationing during the first three months of 1944.

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## Ripley Honored On Cartoon Anniversary

Robert L. Ripley, the originator of "Believe It Or Not" celebrated the 25-year mark of the famous cartoon last week at a luncheon given by the Banshees, a group of New York newspapermen, publicists and advertising men, where he was honor guest.

Ripley told of the first cartoon he put out. He was sports cartoonist on a New York newspaper at the time. The deadline was drawing near and he as yet had no ideas. So he drew a few sports oddities, turned them in and went home feeling that he had done an extremely bad day's work. But the editor and his public did not agree with him and he began to get letters and cards requesting that he do at least one "Believe It Or Not" cartoon each week. More people began to read it and he began to broaden his subjects until he covered the globe.

In his search for material Ripley has traveled around the world many times. Until war came, he journeyed abroad every year, and he has now visited more than 200 countries—among them being such places as Swaziland, Djebel Druse, Zara, Bechuanaland, and Ajmer-Merwara. And in those places he has found for his cartoons such things as men hanging by their hair for days, a pin-sticking contest in which one man imbedded hundreds of pins in his flesh, and similar delightful customs.

"But," says Ripley, "it really isn't necessary for me to seek far for unusual facts. It's just that I like to travel. If I stay more than a few months in one place, I feel I'm in a rut. There is plenty of proof in the thousands of pieces of mail I get every week that truth is stranger than fiction. Getting material becomes easier every day."

In 25 years, Ripley has drawn almost 10,000 daily cartoons. He has also written three books, appeared on many radio programs, and lectured extensively. "Believe It Or Not", in addition to its wide circulation in this country, has appeared in many foreign countries, in 17 different languages. That circulation, like his travels, has been largely stopped by the war, although the cartoons are still published in Spanish in the Latin-American countries, and in England.

## Special Service At The Church Of God

The public is cordially invited to attend a special service at the Church of God located next to Good Will club on December 31st.

Service will begin at 7 o'clock.

Plans are being made to distribute lespedeza seed to growers now so that they will be assured of an ample seed supply next spring, reports H. L. Meacham, State College Extension marketing specialist.

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