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The basic of our government being the opinion of the people, the very first objective should be to keep that right, and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without government, I should not hesitate a moment to choose the latter. But I should mean that every man should receive these papers and be capable of reading them.—Thomas Jefferson.

THURSDAY, DEC. 22, 1949

GOLDEN GLEAMS

We should aim rather at leveling down our desires than leveling up our means.—Aristotle.

Nothing troubles you which you do not desire.—Cicero. We desire most what we ought not to have.—Publius Syrus.

He begins to die that quits his desires.—George Herbert.

The fewer desires, the more peace.—Thomas Wilson.

The stoical scheme of supplying our wants by lopping off our desires is like cutting off your feet when you want shoes.—Jonathan Swift.

Our Baby-God

(Contributed)

The thing that fascinates us most about Christmas is the appearance of the Almighty God as a helpless baby, the sight of tiny hands which, we remind ourselves, hung up the moon and rolled the earth into space. And now he made Himself so helpless, out of love for us. He wasn't really born with a shock of flaxen hair as our Christmas cards represent Him. He was born just like any other son of man, tiny and absolutely dependent on the love of His mother. He would be hungry if she did not feed Him; He would not be clean, did she not wash Him. Now He is close to everyone. He waits in His crib for our adoration. He has not yet assumed the dignity of manhood, nor the majesty of His glorified body; for somehow after the resurrection, His words to Mary Magdalen—"Don't touch Me"—rather put us in awe of Him. He could annihilate us with a glance if He would. Our prayers at Easter are addressed in adoration; but at Christmas we want to wrap the Infant Jesus in prayers of love and pity. We want to take Him in our arms, and let His poor little body draw from the abundance of our own warmth and vitality. But just think of Mary's joy. This Baby is God. Think of how you would feel if you could have God in your arms, sitting at your table, or asleep in the next room. Mary realized the dignity of her Son. She had been visited by an archangel; St. Joseph's dream had reassured her knowledge, and St. Elizabeth's greeting had confirmed it. She knew that she was the Mother of God—yet she did not become vain, nor did she try to use her Son's power for her own ends. So let's savor the spirit of Christmas to the full. We can build a crib in our souls which need never be torn down. We can hug our Lord to ourselves and hold Him fast—so fast that, by His grace, we need never lose Him from our arms.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have a baby doll and a watch that will run and also a baby carriage that will go with the baby doll. Your friend, Dare Wallace, Valle Crucis School.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good girl (I think). I am 11 years old and I'm in the sixth grade. I go to Stony Fork School and I have a very good teacher. I want you to bring me a pair of pretty bed room shoes, some oranges and nuts. Please do not forget all the children who are poor and can't have these things. Be sure to eat your cookies and drink your milk I will leave on the cabinet for you. Your old friend, Peggy Wellborn, Stony Fork.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a girl of 10 years. I thought I would write a few lines to ask if you could bring me these things. I would like a little woman doll and a music stand, and anything else you would like to bring. Your friend, Nancy Adams—P. S.—I have tried to be good.

Dear Santa: I want you to please bring me a doll with hair, pair of skates, and a doll stroller for Christmas. I am a very good little girl. I will soon be six year old. I love you very much. One of your little girl friends, Jerel Dean Johnson.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a doll for Christmas. A watch a basketball and a billfold. I would like to have more things but I will wait until next year. I am in the fourth grade. I am 9 years old. We will have some fruit cake on the table downstairs. Our Christmas tree will be upstairs on the radio. With lots of love, Linda Lee Sherwood, Villas. P. S. — Don't forget my friends.

Dear Santa: I would like to have a doll and a watch and also some nuts, candy, oranges. If you don't have the things send me a doll with a bottle that can cry. I am ten years old and I wrote the letter at school. I would like to have some tangerines. Your friend, Velma Ray McGuire, Valle Crucis.

CROP Friendship Train Lengthens

North Carolina's 1949 CROP Friendship Food Train is 15 cars long this week, it is announced today by state CROP director, H. W. Baucum. Altogether more than eight hundred thousand pounds of grain have been contributed by the farm families of 29 counties in the state. This does not include contributions of canned milk and other foods. Fifteen hundred pounds of cotton have been shipped to date, the state director said.

The Tar Heel state is among 25 states now participating in the campaign of the Christmas Rural Overseas Program, national church agency sponsored jointly by Church World Service, Lutheran World Relief and Catholic Rural Life.

"China, Okinawa, Japan, Palestine, Germany, Austria and Italy will be among the countries aided by CROP gifts this year," the state director said. "In all these places aid goes to groups like refugees, orphans, the sick, the aged and the homeless, people who are otherwise without food or shelter. Typical of many cases of need among refugees is that described by Kurt Naylor, Brethren Service Committee worker in Kassel, Germany, who wrote on October 17 this year, "just recently I saw a family consisting of a grandmother, a grandfather and five grandchildren between the ages of 2 and 14. The mother of the children had just recently died and the father was taken some time ago to a labor camp in Siberia. The grandmother is very ill but these seven people are living in a grape-arbor which they are slowly trying to build up with some protection for the winter."

County All-Stars Basketball News

By BILL MURRAY

Burnsville 54-Boone Pirates 39 Burnsville with plenty of height and reserves eliminated the Pirates from the Lions' sponsored Crossnore Tournament Wednesday night Dec. 14, after a fine ball game in which the outcome was in doubt until with but four minutes left on the clock, the Pirates just simply ran out of gas. Burnsville with five quick baskets, then sewed up the ball game. Max Nanney, hooking them in with both hands pumped in 19 points to make it rough for the winners, but didn't get any help as his mates just couldn't find that hole. L. Peterson with 10 points was high for the winners, with the rest of the scoring scattered evenly among his mates. The Pirates next start comes in the West Jefferson Tournament beginning Monday Dec. 19, with finals slated for the 23rd.

Mt. City 54-Cove Creek 57 Reports from the Mountain City indicate this ball game as one of the finest seen there in years, fast and clean all the way, with the outcome always in doubt. The boys gave a large crowd a real run for their money. Stranger with 19, and Ralph Stout with 18 led for the victors with Stokes also with 19, and Minton finding the range for 16 led the Creek boys. Both clubs showed a fine passing game.

Burnsville 56-Boone Mules 54 Sam Moir's boys, after collecting 217 points in two games and defeating Ab Bingham's tough Cove Creek squad by two points in gaining the finals, lost to a fine Burnsville club in closing out the Crossnore tournament play by these same two points. This was a great ball game played by two fine teams, but unfortunately someone must lose and this time the finger was pointed at the Mules. The Crossnore Lion's Club is to be congratulated on a well run, fine conducted tournament. Indicative of the caliber of play to be found in our county is the fact that of ten all tournament players selected, and with many counties represented, the following six boys from Watauga county were extended this honor: Sam Moir, Ralph Hodges, Mack Eller, and Bob Withrow, all of the Boone Mules; Perry Lentz, Blowing Rock; Max Nanney, Boone Pirates; and Stokes of Cove Creek, all fine ball players, and in this writers book, well deserving of the honors. That my friends is about par for any course, and pretty fair county ball playing.

Cards plan \$5,000,000 park to seat 52,000 for 1952 season.

BETHEL HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

The last meeting of the P. T. A. was held with the upper Beaver Dam community. The community house was filled to overflowing. Over one hundred persons being present.

Mrs. Alice B. Farthing's first grade and Mrs. John K. Perry's third grade gave an interesting mother goose program. Mr. Dave Mast of the welfare department spoke on "attendance and opportunity." The women of the Home Demonstration club served refreshments. The first grade had the most parents present. Every child that had both parents present was served a helping of ice cream the next day at the school store.

Each class recently elected grade mothers as follows: 1st grade: Mrs. George Matheson, Mrs. Henry Waters and Mrs. Cecil Swift. 2nd grade: Mrs. Perry Farthing. 3rd grade: Mrs. Barton Farthing.

4th grade: Mrs. Floyd Warren. 5th grade: Mrs. Roby Vines. 6th grade: Mrs. Gardner Matheson, Mrs. David Farthing. 7th grade: Mrs. Everette Winebarger, Mrs. Fred Winkler. 8th grade: Mrs. Asa L. Reese. 9th grade: Mrs. Irene Winebarger.

10th grade: Mrs. Ivan Farthing. 11th grade: Mrs. Susie Trivette. 12th grade: Mrs. Mona Norris. The Junior class presented "Here Comes Charlie" Monday evening December 19.

A Christmas pageant entitled "Joy Bells of Christmas" was presented Tuesday evening, Dec. 20th.

Jean Warren was recently elected president of the student council.

Student patrolmen have been elected from each class. These students are on duty at all times at the entrances and lunch room. A bus loading and unloading patrol will soon be seeing service.

Sporting News

The Bethel boys gave a fine demonstration of team work and sportsmanship in a recent game with Cove Creek. Cove Creek won 43 to 42. The Bethel girls won from Cove Creek 20 to 10. The guarding of Bethel was of the highest type.

The boys won a 40 to 28 victory over Cloudland of Roan Mountain, Tenn. The girls of Cloudland won 40 to 26. In an exchange of grammar grade games the Bethel boys divided with Cove Creek. The girls lost both contests.

The people of the community are taking steps to improve the appearance of the girls team. The next time we have a game we hope to see the girls in brand new suits. They deserve it. We wish to thank the citizens for their donations which made it possible for the school to add more money and buy the suits.

BURNED IN '48, HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Washington, D. C.—Little Mike Rector, 4, who has been in Casualty Hospital since November 12, 1948, as a result of burns which covered over 70 per cent of his body, is going to get home for Christmas. He will have to return to the hospital for more skin grafts, however. The boy was burned when his cowboy suit caught fire.

FARMER THWARTS WRECK

Tampa, Fla.—The quick-thinking of farmer W. C. Peters, of Istachatta, is credited with preventing a serious wreck, when he flagged down the Atlantic Coast Line's creek passenger train, the Southland, just short of a huge log which had fallen on the tracks. Peters saw the log drop from a timber train on an adjoining track. Knowing the passenger train was due shortly, he ran several hundred yards down the track to warn it in time.

Sarah Anne's Cooking Class

During the holiday season the dessert problem need not worry the busy hostess, if it is prepared several hours ahead of time. Many delicious and novel desserts may be made the day before. None will be more appetizing or popular than the following:

Chocolate Dainty 1-3 cup butter 3-4 cup powdered sugar 3 eggs 2 squares melted chocolate 1-4 cup sifted dry bread crumbs

Cream the butter with the sugar, add the egg yolks, slightly beaten; the melted chocolate and the bread crumbs. Beat the egg whites and fold into the mixture. Grease two shallow cake pans and pour 1-3 of the batter into each, reserving the rest for filling. Bake in an oven 325 degrees for 20 minutes. Remove from the pans and put together with the reserved portion. Serve on a cake plate garnished with whipped cream. Serve in small portions.

Cranberry Parfait 1 can strained cranberry sauce 2 tablespoons powdered sugar 1 egg white 1 1/2 cup cream whipped 1 teaspoon almond extract Blend cranberry sauce and powdered sugar with a fork or beater until smooth. Beat the egg whites stiff. Fold into the cranberry mixture. Add whipped cream and extract. Freeze in tray of automatic refrigerator, with control at coldest setting until firm.

Marmalade Pudding 1 1/2-2 tablespoons of butter 3 tablespoons of sugar 2 eggs 1-2 cup flour 1-2 teaspoon of baking soda 1-2 teaspoon salt Orange marmalade Cream the butter well, add the sugar gradually and then the eggs which have been well beaten. Stir in the flour, soda, and salt all thoroughly sifted together. Mix to a fairly stiff bat-

DATE COCONUT CREAM

3 egg whites 1-2 teaspoon salt 1-2 teaspoon vanilla 1 cup sugar 1 cup cream 1 cup shredded coconut 1 cup chopped dates 1 tablespoon sherry flavoring Beat the egg whites stiff but not dry, add the salt and vanilla. Beat in the sugar slowly. Fold in the coconut and dates. Place in a shallow greased pan and bake in an oven 300 degrees for 20 minutes. Cool. Place in a tin box for later use. To serve five whip the cup of cream, add the sherry flavoring and 1-3 of the baked mixture broken into small pieces. This will keep indefinitely and will always be ready to add to the cream for an emergency dessert.

NESSERODE SAUCE

1 No. 2 can sliced pineapple 1 cup sugar 2-3 cup cut up candied cherries 2 tablespoons rum flavoring

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

NORTH CAROLINA WATAUGA COUNTY

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed by Verlan Triplett and his wife Beulah Triplett dated the 8th day of December, 1947, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Watauga County in Book 68 at Page 55, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and said deed of trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, the undersigned trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door in Boone, North Carolina, at twelve o'clock noon on the eleventh day of January, 1950, the property conveyed in said deed of trust the same lying and being in Watauga County, North Carolina, and described as follows:

BEGINNING on a chestnut on bank of public road near mouth of Pine Run Creek, thence with road to ford of said creek near where Fred Norris now lives; thence crossing said creek and down said creek to mouth of New River; thence to the BEGINNING, containing 2 1/2 acres, more or less.

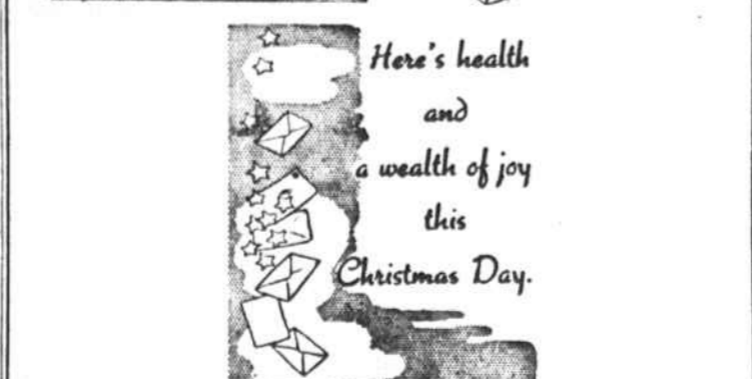
Said sale will be made subject to all outstanding and unpaid taxes. This the 5th day of December, 1949. Louis H. Smith, Trustee.

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KING STREET

(Continued from page one.) mas, gave us a big smile, and walked away, we could see better, the way looked brighter, for the spirit of the Lord had accompanied a visitor to our dingy domain. Miss Madeline McCain drove up, and we carried from the trunk of her car a huge carton of daintily wrapped gifts for the poor, bought and prepared by the girls down at the College YWCA. A man hands a fiscally impoverished father a box of clothing for his suffering children. Another comes by, hears the conversation, and slips a sizeable bill into the hand of the man who got the bad breaks, made no comment and walked away. A lady, clothing a needy child, head to foot, in local store, paying the bill, and then going about the shopping for her own. The man who can't eat an ice cream cone, or sip a coke, in sight of a kid who might also want some refreshment. An awful lot of good things are taking place this year, and few of them get into the columns of the local newspaper. The folks who are doing the most, are saying little, just going along, spreading joy, and we think, pleasing the one for whom Christmas was named. No end!

666 GIVES FAST RELIEF when COLD MISERIES STRIKE LIQUID OR TABLETS



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ter with about 1-2 cup of the marmalade. The exact quantity will vary according to its consistency. Pour into a mold for steaming and steam for 1 1/2 hours.

Beat the egg whites stiff but not dry, add the salt and vanilla. Beat in the sugar slowly. Fold in the coconut and dates. Place in a shallow greased pan and bake in an oven 300 degrees for 20 minutes. Cool. Place in a tin box for later use. To serve five whip the cup of cream, add the sherry flavoring and 1-3 of the baked mixture broken into small pieces. This will keep indefinitely and will always be ready to add to the cream for an emergency dessert.

1-2 cup Brazil nuts or any nuts coarsely cut up. Drain liquid from pineapple, measure; if necessary, add water to make 1 cup. Cut in small pieces enough pineapple to make 1 cup. Combine pineapple, liquid, sugar and cherries in a saucepan. Simmer, uncovered, 20 minutes. Cool. Add rum flavoring and nuts. Chill. Serve on vanilla ice cream.

Economic experts call international loans temporary spur.

In New England, many farmers sell Christmas trees that they clear from pasture land. If the Christmas tree market did not exist, much desirable thinning or pasture clearing might remain undone because of labor costs.

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