

VETERANS OF THREE WARS ENJOY HOSPITALITY JAMBES POST

Henry L. Stevens, Jr., State Commander of the American Legion Is Guest Of Honor

One of the most unusual reunions of American veterans that has ever been held in Franklin County, was staged recently by the Jambes Post of the American Legion, when it was host at a delicious turkey and oyster dinner, served at the Franklin Hotel.

Officers of Legion Posts, and prominent Legionnaires from Smithfield, Raleigh, Henderson, Nashville, Apex, Spring Hope, Franklin, Middlesex and Lexington, gathered almost one hundred strong, to enjoy themselves and to discuss plans for the promotion of community betterment by the American Legion, throughout the fourth district.

The meeting was presided over by Major S. P. Boddie, Commander of Jambes Post, and T. K. Stockard, Committeeman of the Fourth District.

Although the meeting was lively, and merriment was master of ceremonies, one could not help having a little twinge of sorrow creep through the atmosphere of gaiety, when he noted the vacant chairs that had been placed for the noblest of all veterans—the Confederate Veterans of the War between the States.

After the desert course, the meeting resolved itself into an open discussion of worth while post activities and prominent Legionnaires exchanged ideas. A harvest of helpful hints was gleaned by those present, which will be of great benefit to their respective posts.

Major Jim Leonard, Committeeman of the Seventh District came down to tell the Easterners, "How we get things done out our way."

Henry L. Stevens, Jr., State Commander of the American Legion, won the hearts of his comrades with his pleasing personality, when he arose to deliver the principal address of the evening. In his speech he briefly sketched the past achievements of the American Legion, notable among which are the National Endowment Fund for the widows and orphans of World War Veterans, the Overseas Graves Decoration Sinking Fund, and the Adjusted Compensation Act.

He delighted his audience with the statement that after years of toil, the U. S. Veteran Bureau, and the Oteen Hospital, are examples of efficiency. Commander Stevens stated that the principal objective of the Legion for the coming year is increase in membership. He closed his most able address by citing a few reasons for an ex-service man's joining the American Legion. Briefly stated his reasons were as follows:

1. Every ex-service man should have a sentimental feeling for his comrades of the World War, and should associate himself more closely with them by becoming a Legionnaire.

2. Every ex-service man should appreciate the fact that membership in the Legion is a distinct honor, and one that every man cannot have. Duty to one's country. Every ex-service man should realize that as a citizen of America, he is obligated to continue fighting in times of peace for the betterment of his community, and nation.

3. Every ex-service man should be tendered a tremendous applause at the close of his address, which was significant that he had voiced the sentiments of his fellow Legionnaires.

4. The food was delicious and Comrade Ben Ogburn displayed unusual ability by rendering unusually excellent service. The table decorations, arranged by Mrs. Ogburn, Miss "Tom" Ogburn, and Miss Lynn Hall, were beautiful and decidedly fitting for the occasion. The favors chosen by them were so very appropriate that the Legionnaires became "souvenir hounds" once more, and captured every toy in sight for remembrance.

5. Legionnaires Bruce Berkeley, and Harry Hoffman, kept life in the party with the best music that has been heard here in many moons. Suggestions were heard from the different posts that their orchestra be adopted

NO MAIL ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Post Office Employees To Have Holiday

Now after 150 years of uncomplaining work, and drudgery on Christmas Day the employees of the U. S. Post Office Department are to have at least one Christmas as a holiday. This means the local post office will not be open on December 25 this year and the rural carriers will not come on Christmas Day.

Postmaster at Louisburg, All Christmas packages going out the state should be mailed by Saturday, December 19," he continues, "and all packages out of the county but within the state should start moving Monday December 21."

Christmas cards must have two cents on each one," says Postmaster Young. This is necessary by order of the new postal regulations effective April 15, 1925. Out of the thousands of Thanksgiving cards mailed at Louisburg about 450 were delayed because they had only a one cent stamp on each of them.

In order that your mail may arrive at its destination fresh with the Christmas savor the Louisburg Post Office is going to do all it can but it cannot violate postal laws and regulations for your convenience.

On unsealed envelope containing Christmas card without messages put 1-2 cent. With message two cents. Sealed 2 cents.

BIG HOGS

The following big hogs have been reported killed the past week:

- Mrs. W. L. Ayscue, of Hayesville township, two weighing 300, 347. H. P. Finch, of Hayesville township, two weighing 450 and 452. H. F. Perry, of Harris' township, one weighing 633. Vance White, of Harris' township, one weighing 454. N. H. Ayscue, of Hayesville township, four weighing 217, 261, 275 and 300. Charley H. Roberts, colored, Hayesville township, two weighing 173 and 261. Rev. G. W. May, of Gold Mine township killed two weighing 348 and 365. M. P. Moye, of Harris' township, killed one weighing 450. R. L. Harris, Cypress Creek, one weighing 462. S. J. Howard, Cypress Creek, two weighing 350 and 335. O. J. Bowden, Cypress Creek, two weighing 350 and 330. R. B. Harris, Cypress Creek, two weighing 225 and 227. W. H. Delbridge, Cypress Creek, two weighing 350 and 375. J. M. Harris, Cypress Creek, three weighing 236, 337 and 446. W. H. Joyner, Cedar Rock, two weighing 215 and 121. J. S. Murphy, Cedar Rock, two weighing 252 and 198. E. C. Collins, Jr., Cedar Rock, two weighing 190 and 230. J. C. Murphy, Cedar Rock, one weighing 206. J. A. Fuller, Cedar Rock, two weighing 276 and 362. Mrs. T. H. Dickens, Cedar Rock, three weighing, 378, 386 and 393. J. H. House, Cedar Rock, two weighing 268 and 286.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

To Be Held At The Several Churches In Louisburg

Christmas services have been announced for the several churches as follows:

St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Christmas Day at 11 o'clock, a. m. Morning prayer and holy communion.

Christmas services at the Methodist church will be held next Sunday.

W. J. STRICKLAND DEAD

Mr. W. J. Strickland, one of Franklin County's most substantial planters died at his home near Katesville on Wednesday, December 2nd, in his 68th year.

The funeral was held at the home on Thursday and the interment was made in the family cemetery near by. A large number of friends were present to pay a last tribute to the deceased.

The bereaved widow and son has the sympathy of the entire community, by the Fourth District.

Echoes of appreciation of Louisburg's hospitality, and whole hearted entertainment, are still to be heard from different sections of the state.

And the Jambes Post is at present holding the membership list for knowing how to stage a "Merry Frolic Free From Thrills."

OLD BELT CO-OPS PAID 1 1/2 MILLION

Largest Deliveries of Season Reach Cooperative Markets As S. C. Growers Mobilize.

The payment of \$1,590,002.86 to members of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association in the old bright belt of Virginia and North Carolina, which began at the association warehouses last Tuesday completes final settlement of the association with its old belt members on 18 grades of the tobacco which they delivered during 1924.

In addition to this the organized growers are taking advantage of the highest cash advances which their organization has ever paid at a time when other growers are suffering from the usual slump that takes place on the auction markets just before the Christmas holidays. This has resulted in deliveries of over 4,000,000 pounds of tobacco to the association during the past week—the largest receipts which it has recorded during any week of the present season.

Total receipts of the association are now more than 51 million pounds of tobacco for the present season and there is every indication that the tobacco co-ops of the old bright belt will deliver more tobacco after Christmas than has come to the cooperative markets of Virginia and Western Carolina up to the present time.

All markets of the association in the bright belt of Virginia and Eastern North Carolina will close for the holidays on Friday, December 18.

The new sign-up campaign for a five year contract, calling for 65 per cent of all tobacco and delivery to the new South Carolina belt Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association of every pound grown upon the lands of signers is off to a good start with mass meetings of the growers and the public being held in every important tobacco growing county of the South Carolina belt.

No contracts are wanted or asked for until the farmers and the public are thoroughly familiar with the new marketing agreement which is the work of the growers themselves and contains all the terms which they have asked for in mass meetings of representative growers, following four seasons of experience in the cooperative marketing of their tobacco.

The sign-up of contracts in South Carolina is scheduled to begin in the 158 local units of the association in that state and in the border counties of North Carolina on Wednesday, December 30, when there will be a general mobilization of those tobacco farmers who are determined to protect their tobacco crop for another five years as they have done during the present season.

ORPHANAGE CHRISTMAS SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY AT THE METHODIST CHURCH AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK

Pastor O. W. Dowd makes the following announcement for the Methodist church.

Some say make it "An electrical Christmas," some advise you to make it a "Radio Christmas," some urge it to be a "Jewelry Christmas," one enthusiast says it should be "A book Christmas." But we are making a special effort in our Church next Sunday at 11 A. M., to make it an "Orphanage Christmas." We want to raise three hundred dollars at this service for our 250 Methodist Orphanage girls and boys at Raleigh. Please give, at least, your earnings for one day to this cause. We hope some of our big orphanage friends here will give \$100, others can give \$50, \$25, \$10, \$5. Let all the children and young people bring at least \$1. Make your plans to give something worth while. Envelopes will be furnished you.

We have the promise from Rev. A. S. Barnes that he will send some of his choice girls of the orphanage to sing one or more special songs at this service.

Our regular choir will, also, have a special number to fit in with the program. The pastor is planning his sermon with special reference to this great service.

We feel sure that we shall have the loyal support of Louisburg and College in this fine service, both in attendance and in financial support.

TOWN COMMISSIONERS MEET

The board of town commissioners met in called session on Monday evening, December 14 for the transaction of business.

All bills presented were deferred until the next regular monthly meeting in January.

The matter of the collection of taxes due the town was discussed. It was found that contrary to the general understanding of the public, the last day for payment of taxes in December is of the same year that taxes are listed.

The clerk was instructed to write to every tax payer and inform them that they would not be charged interest on all taxes paid by the first of January ensuing. But on the contrary interest would be charged after the first of the year.

The board then adjourned.

MRS. McIVER ENTERTAINS

The residence of Mrs. J. A. McIver was the scene of much pleasure and merriment last Friday evening when she gave a charming six o'clock dinner in honor of Miss Juanita Bunn, an attractive bride-to-be of this season.

The room was tastefully decorated in Christmas green and bright red berries against a background of white. The guests were greeted at the door by Miss Bettie McIver. In the living room they were welcomed by Mrs. McIver, assisted by Mrs. J. S. Howell, a sister of the guest of honor.

When the guests had all arrived they were ushered into the dining room where the Christmas color scheme was carried out in the floral decorations and in the luncheon set. The center piece was a Christmas tree radiant with tinsel and lighted candles. Beneath the tree stood a sturdy Santa Claus with his pack. The prospective bride was seated at the head of the table in a chair festooned in white in her honor.

Dinner was then served in courses, consisting of a fruit course followed in order by the meat, salad, and dessert courses. The hostess then suggested that the honor guest open Santa's pack and see what he had brought. In it were found many pretty and useful articles which were the gifts of the other guests.

Besides those already mentioned those present were Misses Elizabeth Timberlake, Dora Upchurch, Margaret Inscoe, Jewel Clarke, Victoria Adcocke, Bessie and Beulah Lancaster and Miss Annie Scarce of Franklinton.

NOTICE

A good representation of church officials from each of the churches on Louisburg Circuit is asked to meet the pastor at Prospect Church, Sunday, December 20th, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of arranging a schedule for preaching services on the work. This year each church on the work will be given two services each month, one Sunday morning service and one afternoon or night service. To follow this schedule it will be necessary to make some slight changes in the old order of services. People from each church should be present at Prospect Sunday to give reasons why they desire a particular Sunday for their regular Sunday morning service.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN CEDAR ROCK TOWNSHIP MEET

On last Sunday afternoon the Sunday School leaders in Cedar Rock Township met at Cedar Rock for the purpose of organizing into a township convention. The following officers were elected: President, W. R. Fulghum, Cedar Rock; vice-president, D. E. Pearce, Castalia; secretary and treasurer, E. G. Brewer, White Level.

After the organization was perfected the aim of the convention was read by F. H. Sledge and discussed. Also a report was heard from Cedar Rock, Castalia and White Level. These being the only schools represented. Plans are now on foot for a Township Institute to be held at White Level sometime in the early spring. Program for same will be planned and published later.

W. R. FULGHUM, Township Pres. E. G. BREWER, Township Secy.

BE CAREFUL ABOUT FIRES

The following letter from Stacey W. Wade, Insurance Commissioner, was received by Mayor Williamson this week and is in the public with the request that they be guided by it for the safety of the property from loss by fire.

Just at this time of the year one of the most uncalled for dangers known threatens our homes and our children.

For some unknown reason, especially so in the Southern States, the custom of celebrating the Birthday of our Saviour with fireworks was originated and the toll of lives lost and property destroyed has followed along in cities where this custom has prevailed.

An ordinance against the sale and use of such devices would go a long way toward eliminating this danger and would work a hardship against no one, unless it be that type of man who would, for a small profit, sell your child or mine an implement that would destroy or blind it.

Many of the cities and towns in our State have suffered from time to time from the use of fireworks and many have profitably enacted ordinances against the sale and use of them and it is noticeable that the cities prohibiting the use of them have been able to go through the Holiday Season without fire and loss of life; while a lost hand, a burned home and even loss of life has been the result where the sale of fireworks was permitted.

I trust you will look upon this as I send it,—not official interference,—but a warning in order that no holocaust which we can, with reasonable care, prevent, will mar the happiness of a single home in North Carolina during the Christmas holiday period.

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KIWANIANS ELECT OFFICERS

At Luncheon Friday Night

Most Old Officers Re-Elected; No Special Program; All Enjoy Good Fellowship

With the best of good fellowship prevailing the Louisburg Kiwanis Club held its regular luncheon at the Franklin Hotel on last Friday night. No special program had been arranged. The regular election of officers was held and resulted as follows:

President, A. W. Mohr; Vice-President, H. H. Johnson; Secretary-Treasurer, A. H. Fleming; Trustee, E. L. Best; Directors, F. J. Beasley, M. S. Clifton, Mc. M. Furgurson, Ben T. Holden, W. R. Mills, A. W. Person, W. E. White.

Quite a good attendance was present and an enjoyable evening was spent.

IN HONOR OF MR. KEARNEY WILLIAMS

Mr. William W. Neal was host, last Monday evening, at a most delightful stag dinner given in honor of Mr. U. Kearney Williams, of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Mr. Herbert Alston, of Warrenton, and Mr. Ben Ballard, of Franklinton were present together with Dr. R. F. Yarborough and Messrs. J. M. Allen, R. P. Taylor and L. E. Scoggie.

The guests were greeted by Miss Fanny and Miss Annie Perry Neal, who rendered music on the mandolin and piano. A most attractive course dinner was then served promptly at seven o'clock and many jovial stories were exchanged at this reunion of old friends. Toasts were offered to the honored guests and a hearty dinner was enjoyed by everyone present.

After dinner the guests were invited into the parlor and a very enthusiastic game of bridge and setback afforded entertainment until late in the evening.

Mr. Williams and Mr. Alston have been spending a few days bird hunting with Mr. Neal and returned to Warrenton Tuesday night. Mr. Neal was with them on a duck and pheasant hunt in Michigan this past fall while visiting Mr. Williams in Grand Rapids.

RED BUD Y. W. A.

The Y. W. A. met Saturday night, December 12, 1925 with Miss Nina Leonard. The following program was given:

Hymn, "Jesus is Calling." Devotional Matt. 2; 1-16, Miss Minnie Ruth Murphy.

Prayer, Miss Nina Leonard. Roll call and report by secretary. The child from the Glory Land, Annie Lancaster.

The Birth of Christ, Miss Mozelle Leonard. Duet, Miss Nina Leonard and Juanita Sturdivant.

Common Characteristics, Nina Leonard. Distressing Differences, Miss Caudia Belle Smith.

Hymn, "Anywhere with Jesus." Dismissal, Estelle Murphy.

Those present were Nina Leonard, Annie Lancaster, Claudia Smith, Mozelle Leonard, Edna Lancaster, Minnie Ruth Murphy, Estelle Murphy, Nellie Lancaster, Annie Bett Smith, Myrtle Gupps, Mary Alice Murphy, Juanita Sturdivant, Cornelia Boone, Athalea Wood.

Number members present 11, absent 3, new members 1, total present 12.

EDNA LANCASTER, Leader, ANNIE BETT SMITH, Secretary.

COTTON REPORT

The tabulation of the card report shows that there were 23,696 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned in Franklin county, from the crop of 1925 prior to December 1, 1925, as compared with 16,772 bales ginned to December 1, 1924.

SERVICES AT ST. PAULS CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m., and evening prayer at 7:30 p. m. constitute the services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church for next Sunday according to announcement of Pastor J. D. Miller who invites all to attend each of these services.

DEAD

On October 3, 1925, God sent His angels to bear the spirit of little John Rayford Underhill to a home where suffering never comes. He was the sunshine of the home and the beautiful flowers that covered the little mound were a token of love from those that loved him. He leaves a father and mother and three little sisters who loved him so much. All the family are sad and lonely, but heaven is nearer and Christ is dearer than ever before.

We loved him, yes we loved him, but Jesus loved him more and He has sweetly called him to His bright and shining shore.

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AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks And Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. R. R. Kissell visited Charlotte the last week.

Mr. R. C. Lawrence, of Lumberton, was a visitor to Louisburg Saturday.

Miss Francis Wilkins, of Sanford, is visiting her aunt, Miss Sallie Betts, at Louisburg College.

Mr. R. C. Beck returned Sunday from a visit to his father in Richmond.

Mrs. Florence Eakes, of Norfolk, visited Mrs. C. A. Ragland this week.

Mr. T. A. Conway, of Kinston, was a visitor to Louisburg Monday.

Dr. A. H. Fleming visited Raleigh this week.

Messrs. W. H. Ruffin and P. E. White went to Raleigh Sunday to visit Mr. R. S. White.

Judge E. W. Timberlake, of Wake Forest, was a visitor to Louisburg this week.

Mr. R. G. Bailey returned the past week from a trip to Florida.

Mr. J. E. McLeman is spending a few days at the home of C. A. Ragland.

Mrs. C. A. Ragland and Mrs. F. B. Leonard visited Mrs. Harvey Gata of Rocky Mount Wednesday.

Mrs. L. L. Joyner is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harold J. Lewis, at Alexandria, Va.

Dr. N. Y. Gulley, of Wake Forest, was a visitor to Louisburg Wednesday.

Mr. Sidney Edens, who has been at Pinehurst has returned home and taken a position with the Franklin Times.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Carlyle, of Savannah, Ga., and Mrs. Dora Carlyle, of Mebane, are visiting Messrs. S. S. and B. H. Meadows this week end.

Mr. J. W. Parker, who has held a position with the Times, the past year, left Saturday to make his home in Georgia.

RECORDERS COURT

Twelve cases were disposed of in Franklin Recorders Court Monday, seven of which were found not guilty by Judge Beam. Two of the remaining cases were appealed. The docket as disposed of was as follows:

State vs Sherman Wilder, removing crops, not guilty. State vs Otho Clifton, false pretense, 4 months on roads, Appeal. State vs Clemon Harris, nuisance, not guilty. State vs Felix James, nuisance, not guilty. State vs Gene Blackley, nuisance, not guilty. State vs James Arthur Higgins, possession distilling outfit, guilty, fined \$25 and costs. State vs Robert Horton, Carnal knowledge under 16, guilty, 4 months on roads, Appeal. State vs Herman Davis, assault with deadly weapon, capias and continuance. State vs Jeff Perry, assault with deadly weapon, pleads guilty, prayer for judgment continued until next Monday.

THANKS

I want to thank the good people of Louisburg and Franklin county for their loving kindness and sympathy shown to me during my past sickness.

I have been back home for several weeks now and have been rapidly improving since my return. I am very glad to say that my eyesight is gradually improving.

The kind and tender prayers that you offered for me will long be remembered by my family and me.

MRS. P. F. EVANS, JR.

COTTON CO-OP WORKERS ADDRESSES WOMEN

Miss Susan Landon, State leader of North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association locals with headquarters in Raleigh, addressed a county-wide audience of Franklin County farm women here Saturday night at a luncheon given at the Franklin Hotel. Her subject was "Group Leader Work Among the Women," and she pleaded with them to aid in distributing fact of information on cooperative marketing to the folks back home that they might know the truth.

The purpose of the meeting was stated by Miss Eva Cooke, of Cedar Rock, who the solution of farm economic problems. Short talks were also given by several local people. Mrs. B. B. Rice, of Justice, presided.