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A NEW YEAR

Another year has passed and a  
new one is before us, to be whatever  
we shall make it.

It is young and pliable and may  
be molded to suit our fancy. When  
we write its history twelve months  
hence, will it be a story of progress  
or one of backsliding?

Time never tarries. Days slip by  
with great rapidity. Unless there is  
a plan for improvement, a commu-  
nity blue print to direct our course,  
365 days will have gone into his-  
tory and we will come to the end of  
the year without an accomplishment  
to our credit.

Has this community a plan for the  
new year? Is there any course map-  
ped out for action?

Or shall we just drift along like a  
rudderless ship, aimless and pur-  
poseless, with no idea of making the  
most of our opportunities?

Communities that go along with  
the current never get any place.  
They follow the line of least resis-  
tance until they lose initiative and  
a desire to forge ahead. Then they  
begin slipping, and once started  
backward they move faster in that  
direction than they did forward.

If we get careless about the well-  
fare of the community, if we are  
satisfied to "let well enough alone"  
and unresistingly drag along through  
the year without ambition or hope  
of bettering our condition, there is  
no hope of any advancement. We  
are headed for the community grave-  
yard.

To progress, as we should, a  
course of action, unselfish leader-  
ship and thorough cooperation on  
the part of all the people is essential.

We can get whatever we go after  
if community loyalty is placed first  
and individual selfishness is not per-  
mitted to interfere.

TRAINING IN MATRIMONY

Training in matrimony in our high  
schools is the need of the nation, ac-  
cording to Superior Court Judge Wal-  
ter S. Gates, who has heard more  
than 7,500 marital actions in the past  
two years.

He characterizes as a "world re-  
cord" the 9,113 divorces filed in Los  
Angeles county in the past year.

"Marriage is entered into too light-  
ly; it should be regarded as a sacred  
covenant rather than a civil contract,"  
Judge Gates said. "Care should be  
taken in selection of the person one  
marries."

"It is high time we had a course in  
Marital Economics in high schools to  
teach the sacredness, the duties and  
the responsibilities of marriage."

A check revealed that 76 per cent  
of the county's 9,113 divorce actions  
were brought by women.

An increasing tendency to name  
"other women" was shown.

Divorce brought about by "drink"  
and by "prosperity" was also seen to  
be on the upgrade.

Progressive farmers in North Caro-  
lina will be delighted to learn that  
Governor O. Max Gardner will con-  
sider the farmer and farming con-  
ditions during his administration.

Those cotton farmers who give at-  
tention to their supply of seed this  
winter will likely produce the best  
crop this summer, say agronomists.

The Charlotte Observer offers a  
silver trophy cup to the county home  
or farm agent who conducts the best  
agricultural news service in his county  
in 1929.

A fellow has finally produced a  
seedless tomato, and now if some one  
else will stop up and grow seedless  
watermelons, everything will be fine.

It is said that lobsters are disap-  
pearing from the salt waters near  
the U. S. shore line, but there are  
plenty of them left on the main land.

More than 2,500 homes are getting  
radio entertainment over the tele-  
phone in The Hague, Holland, sim-  
ply by attaching an amplifier and loud  
speaker and paying \$7.20 a year. The  
system is owned and operated by the  
municipality.

Who remembers the good old days  
when you could pick up a hair pin  
almost anywhere.

Spaniards introduced the sweet po-  
tato into the Philippine.

Rome's first view of a giraffe came  
when Julius Caesar marched one thru  
the streets in a triumphal procession.

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PEACE ON EARTH!



There were in the same country shepherds abiding  
in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.  
And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them,  
and the glory of the Lord shone round about them:  
and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them: Fear not: for, be-  
hold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all the  
people.  
For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is  
Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in  
swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly  
host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men.  
Luke 2:8-14

Still Smiles



Although Gordon Stewart  
Northcott, above, has confessed  
the murder of one small boy on a  
chicken ranch near Los Angeles  
and is charged with the murder  
of several others, he still smiles.  
His picture was taken after  
Northcott was brought back to  
Los Angeles for trial, after his  
hension in Vancouver, B. C.

Men's and boys' furnishings at auc-  
tion next Saturday the 29th at F. N.  
Spivey's. 12-28-11

J. J. Love, of Newton, in Catawba  
county made a profit of \$29 per acre  
with his corn crop by top dressing  
it with chilean nitrate of soda ac-  
cording to a report by J. W. Hen-  
dricks, county agent.

The fellow who used to drive to  
town and find a cool, shady place to  
tie up his horse, now has a hard time  
finding any place to park his car.

Stock and fixtures at auction next  
Saturday December 29th at F. N.  
Spivey's. 12-28-11

WOMEN

Who need a tonic  
Should take

CARDUI

Made of  
Purely Vegetable  
ingredients—contains  
no dangerous drugs.

In Use Over 50 Years

Iceland's exports last year were  
almost entirely fish and food.

DANGER

Warning to The  
Public!

Influenza is prevailing, parti-  
ally on account of people wear-  
ing damp or wet shoes, half  
soles are not water proof, there-  
fore we have purchased a stock  
of water proof full or whole  
Panco Soles which we can guar-  
antee to keep your feet dry.  
Price only a fraction higher  
than half soles.

LOUISBURG REPAIR SHOP  
J. LEHMAN, Proprietor.  
Next to Tar River Bridge

SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Under and by virtue of the power  
of sale contained in that certain deed  
of trust executed by C. B. Kearney  
and wife, Lucy Kearney on the 17th  
day of June, 1921 to R. B. White,  
trustee and recorded in Book 224  
page 530, default having been made  
in the payment of the bond secured  
thereby and demand having been  
made upon the trustee therein by the  
holder of the bond for the foreclosure  
of said deed of trust, the undersigned  
trustee, will on the 21st day of Janu-  
ary, 1929, at or about the hour of noon  
offer for sale at public auction for  
cash to the highest bidder at the court  
house door of Franklin County, North  
Carolina, the following described  
tracts or parcels of land situate in  
Sandy Creek Township, Franklin  
County, State of North Carolina and  
more particularly described as fol-  
lows:

First Tract: Lying and being in  
Sandy Creek Township adjoining the  
lands of C. B. Kearney, the Mrs. Tip  
Terrell lands and others containing  
75 acres, more or less, it being the  
identical tract conveyed to C. B. Kear-  
ney by M. D. Strother and wife, by  
deed dated October 26, 1912 and duly  
recorded in Book 192 page 62 of the  
Registry of Franklin County, N. C.

Second Tract: Lying and being in  
Sandy Creek Township adjoining the  
lands of Turner Perry, T. T. Hunt  
estate and others containing 110 acres  
more or less, it being the identical  
tract conveyed to G. W. Ford and wife  
to C. B. Kearney and wife, Lucy Kear-  
ney by deed dated June 20, 1905 and  
duly recorded in book 146 page 285  
Registry of Franklin County, N. C.

Third Tract: Lying and being in  
Sandy Creek Township adjoining the

Stars Shine on Their Mountain Cabin  
When These Children Start to School

IN this day of consolidated  
schools and school busses few  
children are faced with the diffi-  
culties which faced pioneer chil-  
dren in their attempts to gain an  
education. But in a little moun-  
tain cabin in Watauga county,  
North Carolina, about 11 miles  
from Boone, live five brothers and  
sisters—the youngest a 6-year-old  
girl—who walk 10 miles a day to  
and from school.

The trail, which leads to the  
cabin of their widowed mother,  
Mrs. Ida Rogers, is so steep and  
rough that the school bus cannot  
possibly get over it. In fact, for  
2½ miles down the almost per-  
pendicular side of the mountain,  
the path is virtually unmarked  
and traversable only by very sure-  
footed animals or persons. Every  
inch of the way is covered with  
sharp stones, so sharp that the  
feet of the five Rogers children  
have many times been severely cut  
and bruised by them. In addition,  
there are three swift streams to  
cross and for about 100 yards a  
broad creek is part of the trail.

Records Are Good

According to the compulsory  
school law, children who live  
more than 2½ miles from school  
are not compelled to attend unless  
transportation is provided.

Despite this and the hazardous,  
long walk, the children are "so  
eager for an education that Tur-  
ner, 13; Blanche, 15, and Lettie,  
11, have missed only three days in  
two years. Villas, a 9-year-old  
boy, cut his feet so badly on the  
stones last winter that he had to  
remain out for nearly two weeks  
and little Marie, 6, could not go  
for three weeks, for she was too  
little to plow through the snow  
drifts. Turner has led his class  
ever since he started to school,  
and the marks of the others have  
been almost as high.

The children have the unique  
experience of starting off to school  
while the stars are still shining.  
When they return, too, it is dark.  
The mother has taught them to



These children walk 10 miles a day to attend school. Their daily  
march takes them over a mountain, along a trail that is a swift-  
running creek part of the way. Their mother, Mrs. Ida Rogers, is  
the widow of a North Carolina mountaineer. Left to right: Villas, 9;  
Blanche, 15; Marie, 6; Turner, 13, and Lettie, 11.

year-old son to clear nearly an  
acre of land. Many of the oaks  
and chestnuts were 2½ to three  
feet through.

But together they accomplished  
it and now they have sufficient  
land upon which to grow a large  
part of the vegetables they need  
for their own use. Mrs. Rogers  
earns most of the little money she  
uses to support her family by  
tramping miles over the mountain  
each October and November pick-  
ing the beautiful galax leaves. A  
country storekeeper markets  
them for her. And on Saturdays  
the children help to dig spikenard  
and star root, witch hazel and  
plants of the lady slipper and  
other wild flowers.

Cleared Forest  
The mother's story is one of  
equal fortitude. She was left not  
only penniless, but in debt when  
her husband died five years ago.  
First she had to struggle against  
the attempts of "kindly" people to  
send her children to an orphan-  
age. Then, together they started  
to work on their 30 acres—wood-  
land, except for a tiny garden.  
Only those who have cleared vir-  
gin forest land can realize how  
difficult it was for this woman,  
her 10-year-old daughter and 8-

lands of C. B. Kearney and others and  
containing 100 acres, it being the iden-  
tical tract conveyed by Gilly L. Peo-  
ples to C. B. Kearney by deed dated  
August 9, 1905 and duly recorded in  
book 152 page 112 Registry of Frank-  
lin County, N. C.

Fourth Tract: Lying and being in  
Sandy Creek Township adjoining the  
lands of C. F. Faulkner and others

containing lots 3 and 4 of the Willie  
P. Ingram place formerly owned by  
Mrs. Wainwright, a plat of which Mrs.  
Willie P. Ingram place appears of re-  
cord in book 199 page 246 Registry  
of Franklin County, North Carolina,  
said lots 3 and 4 together containing  
98 39.100 acres, more or less, the  
same having been conveyed to C. B.  
Kearney by deed of P. A. Reavis and

wife and J. P. Hill dated April 6, 1914  
and duly recorded in Book 202 page  
34 Registry of Franklin County, North  
Carolina, reference to all the deeds  
and records above mentioned being  
here made for a further description  
of the property herein described.  
This December 20, 1928.

R. B. WHITE,  
12-28-51  
Trustee

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Wishes for a

Most Happy and  
Prosperous  
NEW YEAR

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serving you the past year has been a great pleas-  
ure to us.

In contemplating your purchases and select-  
ing the best goods to be had at a great saving we  
experience great joy in serving you and contrib-  
uting our bit to your welfare.

May we wish for you the Best the New Year  
can bring.

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