

WE WISH YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

A CHRISTMAS TREE IDEA FOR HARD TIMES

The Louisburg Methodist Church and Sunday School have made the best possible use of the Christmas Tree for the public good. They call it a Welfare Tree. It was dedicated to the needy and destitute of Franklin County of which Louisburg is the county seat.

This county was hard hit during the past season with poor crops and low prices. Scarcity of money approaching in many places to actual want and destitution was the common topic of conversation.

When plans for a Christmas Celebration were discussed, the Sunday School Workers Council asked the children if they would not rather give than receive gifts. The idea gripped the whole church including the students of Louisburg College.

As a result last Sunday night a large tree which almost filled the spacious platform in front of the choir and organ loft, brilliantly lighted and decorated was loaded and surrounded with packages and bundles of food, clothing and children's toys. The entire front of the Church, inside the chancel was so filled with these gifts that forty bushel baskets, heaping full, were required to carry them away.

They were taken to the office of the County Welfare Superintendent to aid in feeding, clothing, and giving Christmas cheer to many children and grown-ups for whom this Christmas season would have been a dreary blank.

A cash offering of nearly twenty dollars supplemented these gifts.

So at this time when many families are making fewer gifts to their own members and friends, this Church has made the largest Christmas gift in its history.

The program of music and recitations rendered by the little children and the Christmas carols sung by the girls of the College, investments, filling the choir loft, and with only the lights from the tree illuminating the scene, were the best and most impressive Christmas program that this writer has seen in many a year.

The purpose of the exercise was so kindly and so noble and the gifts so bountiful that the congregation of happy people which packed the entire Church, seemed inspired with a new spirit. Christmas Carols meant something in that atmosphere, and the congregational singing was lusty and harmonious.

The sacrificed spirit of the little children was manifested when they brought the presents given them, dolls, baby carriages, sleds, and toys of every description and asked that they be given to the poor little children whom they perhaps had never seen but who live in the same town and county with them.

Not even a stick of candy was given to any child in the Church, nothing for themselves, everything for others, and yet they were happier than they had ever been at a Christmas Tree exercise.

The whole service was under the management of Mrs. Ben T. Holden who with Mrs. Fred Hicks inaugurated the Welfare Tree idea two years ago.

This year the unusual need afforded the stimulus for the unusual bounty.

Fully as much can be said of the equally impressive ceremonies, bountiful giving and wonderful sacrifices at the services at the Baptist and Episcopal churches Sunday where the Welfare or Community trees were also held, and at which a most enthusiastic Christmas spirit prevailed.

NEW DRUG STORE

Mr. Greenwood Wilder informs the TIMES that he has leased the store room on Market Street recently vacated by Jno. W. King, and will open a modern drug store therein early in January. He has already placed the order for the stock and fixture which he says will not be exceeded by any in this section. He expects to make a special feature of the prescription department. He expects to open about the fifteenth or twentieth of January. Watch for his announcement.

GETS BIG STILL

Revenue officers with the assistance of County officers, it is reported, captured a one hundred gallon still outfit about four miles south of Louisburg Tuesday night, destroyed 2,000 gallons of beer, seized 15 gallons of whiskey and caught Floyd Waters, Raymond Wilson, John Jeffreys, Early Allen, and George Nichols, who were given a hearing before United States Commissioner R. U. Hicks at Franklin, and held under \$500 bond each. Those who failed to give bond were taken to Raleigh.

CHRISTMAS TO BE OBSERVED AT ST. PAUL'S

There will be service at St. Paul's church on Christmas day at 11 a. m., with Christmas hymns, according to announcement of Rev. J. D. Miller, rector.

The children's festival will be next Sunday at 4. Services as usual next Sunday at 11 and 7:30. All are cordially invited.

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CHRISTMAS SEALS



This will be the last notice to appear in the TIMES before the Seal-Sale ends.

Once more the Chairman urges you not to forget that there are seals for all, at only a penny a piece. They may be bought at Farmers and Merchants Bank, Boddie's Scoggin's Pleasant's and Beasley's Drug Stores.

CHRISTMAS TREE THIS SUNDAY

St. Paul's Episcopal Church School will have its Christmas tree this Sunday the 22nd at 4 o'clock p. m. The past Sunday was celebrated by the bringing of gifts to be distributed to the needy by the County Welfare Association. Each of the six classes will be represented in the joyful program through the recitation of poems and legends, and carols will be sung in duets and as a body. The parents of the children are especially urged to be present together with the congregation and visitors. A present and a Christmas stocking will be given each child attending these services.

TWENTIETH CENTURY BOOK CLUB

The last meeting of the Twentieth Century Book Club for the year 1929 was held at the home of Mrs. Sid Holden. It was an interesting meeting. The topic of study and discussion was the very appropriate one—'Christmas'.

Mrs. A. B. Inscow entertained with a selection "Tiny Tim" adapted by Paul Green from that old yet even new, Dickens' Christmas Carol, which tunes the heart to the proper observance of Christmas.

Mrs. Robert Smithwick's paper presented in a very interesting manner "The Childs' Christmas and the World's Christmas". She took Santa Claus and the spirit and thought behind and beyond as the theme for the child's Christmas and the Carpenter Lad as the world theme and gave reasons why the observance of Christmas and why Santa shall continue through the ages.

Mrs. A. B. Perry gave very interesting sketches of "Christmas in Other Lands." She gave glimpses of Christmas in England, Germany, Holland, France and then back to America.

Mrs. Grover Harris read that delightful poem—"Pa Did It," by Edgar A. Gupst.

Miss Gertrude Holden entertained with a piano solo. Miss Allen Godfrey gave a violin solo accompanied at the piano by Miss Sophia Clifton.

Special guests were: Miss Aileen Godfrey, Miss Sophia Clifton, Miss Loula Jarman, Mrs. O. Y. Yarbboro of Louisburg and Mrs. H. L. Johnston of Fountain.

Little Eden Holden, Miss Gertrude Holden, Miss Margaret Holden, Miss Sophia Clifton, and Miss Aileen Godfrey assisted the hostess in serving, and very delicious refreshments they were—consisting of a chicken salad course and fruit jello dessert course.

U. D. C.

The J. J. Davis Chapter met with McM. Ferguson Tuesday, December 3. The meeting was called to order by the President. The Lord's prayer was repeated in unison. The beautiful Christmas song, "Joy to the World" was sung by the Chapter. Mrs. White then read the sweet little book by Grace Richmond, "On Christmas Day in the Morning." We all enjoyed that very much. Mrs. R. H. Davis read a paper by Mrs. Ellis of Raleigh on "Christmas morn in the Sixties." That was very interesting as she related things as she remembered when she was a child.

Each Chapter of the U. D. C. was requested to cooperate with the American Legion on Armistice Day, which we did. The Pres. asking the Judge to adjourn Court, so all could attend services at the Auditorium of the Mills High School.

It was decided that we send \$5.00 each to the Soldier's Home in Raleigh and the Confederate Women's Home in Fayetteville for Christmas, and not send canned fruit as we usually do. All business attended to, he hostess served a salad course with hot rolls and coffee. The meeting adjourned to meet January 7th 1930.

MRS. H. W. PERRY, Pres.
MRS. COOKE, Sec'y.

A NOTE OF THANKS

I wish to thank everyone in our County and elsewhere who helped me to win the third prize in the Franklin Times Contest. Your kindness will be long remembered. Wishing each of you a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

BEUI-AH S. THARRINGTON.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE

The Louisburg College in our midst is a great asset to the whole community—its wide awake interest in the affairs of Louisburg and its response to all worth while projects is most commendable.

In the Welfare work it is giving excellent assistance which the organization appreciates.

FRANKLIN

(Tune—"Maryland")

With loyalty we sing thy praise,
Glory to thy honored name!
Our voices loud in tribute raise,
Making truth thy pow'r proclaim.
Thy past is marked with vict'ry bold;
Thy deeds today can ne'er be told,
And heroes brave shall e'er uphold
Franklin's name forevermore.

We love thy rich and fruitful soil,
Wood, and stream, and thriving town.
We love the gift of daily toil,
Making men of true renown.
Thy church and school shall ever stand
To drive the darkness from our land—
A true and loyal, valiant band,
Sons of Franklin evermore.

A shrine of promise, pow'r, and truth,
Lasting righteousness and peace,
A land of hope for toiling youth,
Yielding joys that never cease.
Let ev'ry son and daughter stay
The hand of vice that brings decay.
When duty's voice we shall obey,
Franklin's name shall live for aye.

The Franklin County Historical Association held a contest for songs, suitable for school children and public gatherings. The judges selected the above song, written by Mr. Fred U. Wolfe, head of the department of Agriculture in the Gold Sand High School.

Mr. Wolfe is not a native North Carolinian but comes from the northern part of our sister state, South Carolina. He has been teaching agriculture in the Gold Sand High School for three years. He is doing a wonderful work in his district and has been successful in connecting the school and community life through the project work of his students, over whom he has supervision during the entire year.

He and his pupils have contributed largely to the equipment of the Home Economics and Science departments, as well as every class room in the Gold Sand High School.

The teachers of Franklin County should feel proud of the fact that one of their number has the honor of having produced Franklin County's Song.

The Historical Association hopes that this song will be sung in the schools of our county until it becomes as familiar as "America."

A letter from Mr. A. R. Newsome, Secretary to the State Historical Association to Mrs. Ben T. Holden, President of the Franklin County Historical Association, gives the information that Franklin is the first county in the State to adopt a song. This should be a matter of much pride to the citizens of grand old Franklin.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO WELFARE WORK

The following contributions to the welfare christmas fund have been reported since our last issue:

Miss Sue Alston.....	\$4.00
Mrs. Sam S. Meadows.....	1.00
Mrs. W. B. Barrow.....	1.00
S. P. Boddie.....	1.00
M. S. Clifton.....	1.00
L. E. Scoggin.....	1.00
W. B. Egerton.....	1.00
F. W. Wheless.....	1.00
Dr. R. F. Yarborough.....	1.00
Miss Daisy Caldwell.....	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Graham Egerton.....	5.00
Mrs. G. A. Cralle.....	5.00

J. M. ALLEN'S BARN BURNS

Fire Tuesday night at about 11 o'clock completely destroyed the large modern barn of J. M. Allen located at the back of his residence on Main street. The barn was one of the most convenient and modern in the County and was valued together with the contents that were lost at \$8000 to \$10,000. The barn was partially covered by insurance.

The fire department responded promptly but the fire had gotten such headway and the barn located so far from the street at either point, nothing could be done to save the barn.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Next Sunday at the morning hour the pastor, Rev. A. D. Wilcox, will deliver the third sermon in the Sunday morning series on the "Sermon on the Mount." The theme is "The Pure in Heart." Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock a special Christmas sermon entitled, "Christmas at the old Home."

Christmas Carols by the congregation and special Christmas music by the choir at both Services.

Mrs. W. E. White has been secured to direct the choir and she will have a reorganized choir in operation for next Sunday.

CHARITY BOARD

The following women are members of the Welfare Board, Mrs. R. F. Yarborough, Chairman; Mrs. T. W. Watson, Treas.; and Mrs. S. C. Williams, Sec., of Franklin, who assists Supt. E. C. Perry.

Any money will be gladly received for the cause by them.

W. J. Ray of Ashe County is increasing his milking herd from four to twelve cows. County Agent E. C. Turner furnished plans for remodeling the barn to take care of the extra cows.

RECORDER'S COURT

Only a few minor cases were before Judge Palmer for disposition in Franklin Recorder's Court Monday. The disposition was as follows:

Will Brantley, violating hunting law, guilty, fined \$50 and costs. Appeal.

Norman Harris, assault with deadly weapon, guilty, 4 months on roads, to be suspended upon payment of \$50 and costs. Appeal.

Wilbur Gardner, George Andrew Gardner, Durwood Gardner, disorderly conduct, pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

H. Willard Parrish, abandonment, guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

Morris Champion, reckless driving, guilty, fined \$25 and costs.

Lacy Phelps, violating prohibition law, pleads guilty, 4 months in jail Commissioners to hire out.

Thomas Wiggs, violating prohibition law, guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

Calvin Upchurch, Walter Upchurch, violating prohibition law, continued.

Robert Wright, removing crops, continued.

CHEMISTRY CLASS AT COLLEGE ENTERTAINED BY TEACHER

A most unique and delightful entertainment took place at Louisburg College on Tuesday, December 17, when the entire Chemistry Class was, to its utter surprise and amazement, ushered into the Chemistry Lab. room by their teacher, Miss Mary Wood to find the entire room decorated in colors fitting with the spirit of the arriving season of Christmas. This, as Miss Wood expressed it, was to be the most difficult experiment that was to be tried in the Lab. this year. There were sandwiches to be made, salad to be mixed, coffee to be boiled, and dishes to be washed. All of the girls immediately joined in to prepare the chemistry experiment together, and in their assembling the apparatus a yell of sincere appreciation was given to Miss Wood, the hostess of the event. When the feast was prepared the class eagerly busied themselves in eating it.

Those enjoying the delightful treat of Miss Wood were Myra Scull, Kitty Boddie, Margaret Wilder, Hazel Spencer, Marion Lancaster, Lottie Vick, Lucille McLaughorn, Mildred Braxton, Ola Morris, Rebecca Cooper, Marie Mitchiner, Christine Moore, Marie Wellons, Iva Evans, Lucille Connor, Ruby Johnson, Sadie Johnson.

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HOME DEMONSTRATION DEPT.

DAISY CALDWELL, Agent

The annual agent's meeting is to be held in Raleigh the week of January 6th. The home agent will leave for Christmas vacation the Saturday afternoon before Christmas and will be back in the office on January 4th before leaving for agent's meeting.

Bunn Club Entertains

Bunn Club entertained husbands and other friends at an evening meeting held at the high school Friday. About seventy-five were present and everyone had a good time. Mrs. Hobbard gave one of her most enjoyable talks, Mrs. Mc. Mullen took off "Silly" in a humorous reading. Rev. Yeates and Thompson had a banana eating contest in which Mr. Yeates was declared the winner. Miss Caldwell gave a food demonstration. After the program all were asked into the home economics laboratory where delicious doughnuts and hot coffee were served by Miss Johnson and members of her home economics class.

Wood Girls' Club met at the school

Wednesday afternoon. Room improvement note books were about ready for inspection. The girls had two especially good songs on the program. A few of "the faithful" of the Woman's Club met at Mr. Reed's store at three o'clock. The home agent talked of school lunches and demonstrated making raw carrot sandwiches. Mrs. A. H. Perry member of this club will soon have a beautifully planned and complete new home that is now being built.

Cedar Rock Girls' Club probably

had the best room improvement note books of any of the elementary clubs in the county. This club had a well arranged program at the meeting Tuesday afternoon, including a reading "The Four-leaf Clover" by Marie Ingram and the club pledge repeated by the club.

Madames Clifford and F. El Dean and Miss Eula Dean met with the home agent Tuesday afternoon and made out the year books for the Cedar Rock Club.

Youngville Girl's Club and Harris Woman's Club met Wednesday. Epson Clubs met Thursday and Seven Paths Clubs met Friday which completes the club meetings before Christmas.

Fifty head of Hereford cattle have been received by T. D. Temple of Scotland Neck in Halifax County and will be fed out and sold as beef next fall. The cattle were shipped from Fort Worth, Texas.

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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.

Supt. E. C. Perry visited Oxford, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood Wilder visited Raleigh Tuesday.

Mr. Hobart Brantley, of Spring Hope, was a visitor to Louisburg Monday.

Mr. Donald C. Cooke, of Richmond, Va., visited George Griffin the past week-end.

Supt. E. C. Perry, Mrs. A. W. Alston, Mrs. R. W. Alston, Misses Josephine Perry and Margaret Rouse visited Raleigh Tuesday.

Mr. W. C. Holmes and daughter, Nesbeth, left yesterday to spend a few days in Lillington and Southern Pines with friends.

Messrs. Ben T. Holden, Clyde Burgess and E. F. Griffin visited Jacksonville the past week on a duck hunting expedition.

Messrs. M. A. Mahler, President of Poultry Club, H. W. Taylor, Edgecombe County Farm Agent, J. L. Bullock, of the Lions Club, Paul Jones, of the Kiwanis Club, and editor Tarboro Southerner, of Tarboro, were in Louisburg Friday making a personal inspection of the Farmer's Creamery with a view of working up interest in their County in raising and handling live stock.

HEALTH SUGGESTIONS

DR. R. F. YARBOROUGH
County Physician

Tuberculosis

Scientists have revealed the existence of tuberculosis in the bones of prehistoric man. The histories of all ancient civilizations record its ravages. Egyptian mummies disclose the fact that it was carrying on its deadly work 1600 years before the Christian era, and Chinese historians recorded the disease in the middle of the sixth century B. C.

So down through the centuries, the Great White Plague has claimed its victims—men, women and children, rich and poor, high and low, cultured and ignorant. In every land, it has taken wide toll: an English Keats, a German Schiller, a French Moliere, a Russian Chekhov, and of Americans a John Paul Jones, a Thoreau, a Christy Mathewson.

Tuberculosis is caused by a germ, the tubercle bacillus, which was discovered in 1882 by Dr. Robert Koch, a German physician. It is a small, rod-like organism, visible only under the microscope, and can be stained by a simple method so that it will stand out clearly as a tiny red line against the blue background of the microscopic field.

Tuberculosis is spread directly from one human being to another by inhalation or swallowing the germs of tuberculosis. By far the most frequent seat of infection in man is the lungs, although intestinal infections are not uncommon.

Four-H club members of Edgecombe County have organized a Junior Council. The first meeting was held recently when they listened in on the National Four-H radio program.

TO COMPUTE HAY IN THE STACK

CAP E. MILLER,

N. D. Agriculture College, Fargo, N. D. How to determine the number of tons of hay in a hay rick or stack on the farm, regardless of the size or shape, is only a matter of simple figuring.

The following methods for measuring and computing are suggested. These methods will work even in the dark and are "fool proof." Certain abbreviations are to be used to designate the different dimension terms. V stands for volume in cubic feet; F for fraction varying from .25 to .37; L for length; G for girth at the point of draft-in, and O for overthrow. To determine the contents of the stack it is necessary that the shapes of the different stacks or ricks be taken into consideration. All the possibilities in shapes of stacks are reduced to three shapes and three heights. These are: When height is 3-4 width, multiply by .25 (narrow shape), .28 (medium full), and .31 (full and rounded); when height equals width multiply by .28 (narrow), .31 (medium full), and .34 (full and rounded); and when height equals 1-4 width multiply by .31 (narrow), .34 (medium full) and .37 (full and rounded).

The formula to follow is:

FXOX — XL equals cubic feet of hay or volume.

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