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"At Christmas play and make good cheer

For Christmas comes but once a year"

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* CLITTERING more fantastically than the jewels of Aladdin's cave are the Christmas trees in the windows of this county and adjoining farm areas. Every-

where, everywhere Christmas, and the spirit which

We love this county and it environs. We have grown up here and have come to regard ourselves as "a flixture." We have a great many friends, "but not a

friend to spare," and at this time we want to thank

Yes, Christmas comes but one a year, so it behooves

us all to make the very most of it. On the Eve of this

joyous season we take pleasure in wishing all the full-

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and Entire Force

est measure of Christmas Joy and Happiness.

Christmas brings.

them, one and all.

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# **OBSERVES** LADIES NIGHT

MAKES ADDRESS

Presents a Most Enjoyable Social Event With Barbe
One of the heaviest raids of the war, pounding their target with relative ease after Nazi fighters had been drawn off by a wily feint assault 50 miles to the south.

The bombloads loosed on cue Supper on Thursday

Night of Last Week — record of 2,300 long tons dropped on Berlin November 22. The

Large Number Braves the British heavies blasted and burned the city after a divergionary of Weather to be Present

Louisburg Lodge No. 413 A. F. & A. M. observed Ladies' night with a most enjoyable social occasion on Thursday night of last week. There were ninety-one present to enjoy a bountiful repast of delicious barbecued pig with all the usual trimmings, that go to make up a "feast fit for a King." This time it was especially prepared for "Queens." Not a minute of fun and pleasure was lost in the pleasantries passed by the many visitors and members that were present.

Ludwigshafen.

These attacks highlighted a busy 24 hours as the Allies' prepiavasion air offensive surged to a new winter intensity. Britain-based American heavy bombers attacked Bremen by daylight yesterday as Mediterranean-based American heavies were hitting the Bulgarian capital of Sofia and an airfield near Athens, Greece. Last Louisburg Lodge No. 413 A. F. Ludwigshafen. that were present.

The feast was a great treat,

but not the only one for the oc-casion, as the entire number Rev. C. K. Proctor, Superintend-ent of the Oxford Masonir Orphanthe fields of galety, where laugh-ter and enjoyment ruled to the Nimitz announced today. more serious and sympathetic trials of the war times. Not a few of those enrapped in the pictures he threw upon the scene. tures he threw upon the scene.

passed from laughter to tears in their emotions. The speaker drove home his many points to dove home his many points to battle with 30 Japanese Zero

W. M., John F. Matthews was master of ceremonies and intro-duced the speaker of the occasion, welcomed the ladies and visitors and called upon the retiring and incoming officers who responded with interesting and appropriate talks. The outgoing officers besides W. M., John F.

propriate talks. The outgoing officers besides W. M., John F. Matthews, who becomes a Past Master, are Perry W. Wheeler, S. W., and James Speed, J. W. The visiting ladies were particularly impressed with the improvements and redecorations of the lodge rooms as well as Masonry, as explained and presented by the speaker of the evening. Much credit is due W. G. Lancaster, W. B. Joyner and L. A. Wheless who were appointed an arrangements committee to assist the officers of the lodge in presenting this occasion, which was declared the best of the season by the large number who had dared the extremely bad weather to be present.

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burg, was destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon. The fire was supposed to have originated around a chimney, but had a strong headway when found. The fire department responded, although the building was out of town, and did what it could, but there being no water available it was import for induction, announced by possible to save the building, and the Local Draft Board: a smokehouse nearby, both of which were completely destroyed Willim Henry Davis, Louisburg, at a lost of around \$3,000 \$3,500, and were insured. The estimated loss to the furnishings and contents would probably reach \$2,000 or more. Only about a third of this was saved. This was not insured.

A question often asked: "What's

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Friday—Don Barry in 'Califor-liza Joe.'

Friday—Midnit Sharman Annual Califor-liza Joe.'

Miller, Frank Sinatra, Bob Crosby and Band, Count Basi, Duke Ellington and Band in 'Reveille

With Beverly.' Grace George and Marjorie Main

in 'Johnny Come Lately.'
Sunday—Mae West, Victor Mature, Wimmial Gaxton and Xavier Cugat and Band in 'The Heat's

Monday-Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy in 'Dancing Masters.' Tuesday—Lon Chaney, Robert Paige and Louise Albritton in 'The Son of Dracula.'

Wednesday—George Montgom-ery and Annabella in 'Bombers Moon.'

Thursay-Friday-Robert Youn nd Dorothy McGuire in 'Claudia'
New Year's Eve Midnit Show—
Patricia Morrison, Kenny Baker.
Belita, and Ted Flo Rito and
Band in 'Silver Skates.'

### WAR NEWS

LADIES NIGHT

London, Dec. 21.—A force of possibly 800 Pathfinder-guided RAF heavy hombers attacked the important German chemical and armament content. armament center of Frankfurt last night with 2,000 long tons of explosives and incendiaries in one of the heaviest raids of the war, pounding their target with

ed the city after a diversionary at-tack had been made on the twin German cities of Mannheim and

Pearl Harbor, Dec. 21 .- Fourpresent enjoyed one of the strongest and most forceful addresses that has been heard in the halls of the Lodge in many years when Rev. C. K. Proctor, Superintendnet of the Oxford Masonir Orphan-age, delivered a most interest-ing address on "Loyalty." He took his audiences at will from age areas Admiral Chester W.

fighters. The enemy, attempting unsuccessfully to break up attack, lost four fighters and probably nine.

Allied Headquarters, Algiers dec. 21.—Battling through mountain blizzard American troops have captured 2,600-foot

Route 1.

burg, Route 3. Harrison Green, Bunn.

ve., Portsmouth, Va. George Junior McCray, Frank-

A good way to free yourself from pressing duties is to dis-charge them.

NOTICE TO FRANKLIN COUNTY FARMERS

Chairman Ire T. Inscoe, announces that Austrian Winter Peas and Crimson Clover that were received through the Triple A office under the 1943 Supplementary Program must be seeded on or before December 31, 1943 in order for them not to be deducted from 1944 Soil Conservation Payment.

Merry Christmas to All

British medium bombers raided Northern France by day-light.

mountain

Willim Henry Davis, Louisburg Johnnie Junior Fogg, Louis-

Harrison Green, Bunn.
Joe Richardson, 613 18th St.,
Newport News, Va.
William Ellis Johnson, LouisChairman Beam is asking all
chairman Beam is asking all
county receives
sure that our County receives
credit for every bond purchased

Route 1.

Horace Hains, 2405 Marshall

Ve., Newport News, Va.

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John L.

Counties will be credited to the County in which they are bought.

Franklin County has always

W. B.

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John Henry Crouse, Weldon.

John Henry Brodie, 117 Wool

ve., Portsmouth, Va.

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linton.
Fred Junior Perry, Louisburg,

Gulfport Field, Miss., Dec. 18.

Pvt. Ralph D. Stallings, a son of Mr. H. H. Stallings, Louisburg. N. C., Route 4, has reported for training as an airplane mechanic at this large Army Air Forces Technical Training Command school i for airplane mechanics specializing in cargo and transport type airplanes port type airplanes.

Before entering military service, Pvt. Stallings was employed by the Bethlehem Fairfield Ship-

yard as a Shipfitter.

the Third Drive.

Township Chairmen have been

J. L. Brown, Youngsville. L. W. Henderson, Franklinton.

J. T. Griffin, Hayesville. L. H. Dickens, Cedar Rock.

N. H. Griffin, Gold Mine. J. Z. Terrell, Sandy Creek.

reason to believe we will not fail

FIRE

The fire alarm Monday morn-

dangering the garage, filling sta-tion and the building known as

the Neal building. It was soon put under control without dam-

IN TRAINING

this time.

Arthur Strickland,

Creek, W. B. Tucker, Louisburg.

appointed as follows: O. G. Thompson, Dunn No. 1.

Jarvis Perry, Dunn No. 2. John Morris, Harris.

# Recorder's Court

MRS. JOSEPHUS DAN-

ten much further headway.

Franklin Recorders Court held IELS TUESDAY regular session Tuesday morning and disposed of cases as follows: Begins January 18, Ends

February 15, 1944.

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Funeral service for Mrs. Josephus Daniels, who died at her
thome in Raleigh, Sunday night,
and was fined \$25 and costs.

Plyant Williams plead guilty the First Presbyterian Church.

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Lee Burnette, oai. Robert Jeffreys, oai.
Mrs. Mary Y. Perry, allowing
drunk person to drive her car. Billy Duke, speeding.
Walter A. McCroskey, oai.
Bowser Harris, upw.
Junius Chavis, l and r.

### MASONS INSTALL OFFICERS

The newly elected officers for the coming year of Louisburg Lodge No. 413 A. F. & A. M. were Newport News, Va.

William Ellis Johnson, Louisburg, Route 1.

Spencer Harris, Louisburg, Route 4.

Spencer Henry Neel, Henderson,

County Will be credited to the county will be credited to the county. Bonds purchased in other county. Bonds purchased in other county. Bonds purchased to the county. The officers installed were as installed at a regular meeting of the lodge on Tuesday night of

W. B. Barrow, W. M. James D. Speed, S. W. B. R. Partin, J. W. J. L. Palmer, Treasurer. R. F. Yarborough, Secretary. Forrest Joyner, S. D. W. G. Lancaster, J. D.

W. E. Beasley, Tyler. R. W. Smithwick and Jones Beasley, Stewards.

Dr. A. Paul Bagby, Rev. John FIRE AT EGERTON'S T. Edwards, Chaplains.

started in an upstairs room supposed not to be in use and burnber of the Air Woman Army
Corps.

Maxton A.A.B. is an installation of the First Troop Carrier
Command, which recently engaged in maneuvers which included to be in the fire, water and towing gliders and carrying paratroopers, airborne troops, fighting equipment and supplies into "battle zones."

Several families were occupying apartments in the building and would have been seriously inconvenienced had the fire gotten much further headway.

started in an upstairs room supbosed not to be in use and burnbound train from as far away as four miles. The glare from the snow and lights prevented us from detecting anything wrong with the other train."

He said his three Diesel engines jumped the track when he applied emergency brakes, driving into an embankment and then righting themselves on the track by the weight of the long string inconvenienced had the fire gotten much further headway.

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-On Pay Day, Buy Bonds-

## TRAIN WRECK WORST WRECK IN HIS. Babson Reviews TORY OF STATE

71 KILLED IN

Near Lhmberton Thursday Morning of Last Week-Coast Line Trains Pile Up Robeson County — All Business and Financial Outlook But 23 of Dear Were for 1944, which will be published in this paper Bodies May Be Found in Shall make some

(The first report was as fol-

Wreckage

lows:) Lumberton, Dec. 16. — More Lumberton. Dec. 16. — More than 75 persons were killed and over 100 injured early this morning when two heavily-crowded streamlined Atlantic Coast Line trains crashed in a pile-up on an icebound stretch of tracks at the little Robeson County town of Buies, 12 miles from Lumberton. It was the worst railway accident in the history of the State.

dent in the history of the State.
All but 18 of the dead were brating any ordinary holiday. We

All but 18 of the dead were service men—soldiers, sailors and marines, most of whom were en route home for the Christmas holidays.

An unoffcial tabulation showed last night that 66 bodies had been carried to a Red Springs funeral home; bodies of six women were at a Fayetteville funeral home; and four service men were reported to have died at the Maxton Army Air Base hospital after being carried there for treatment of injuries.

How many more dead will be remains true. For many families

some 40 minutes later the north-bound Tamiami East Coast Cham-pion ploughed into the derailed coaches of the first train which lay sprawled across the double track and voice opinions about. For most people, 1943 meant better jobs, more money and, despite short-ages, more goods in the house. LOOK AT THE FACTS

Americans will have received Funeral service for Mrs. Jose-

Mrs. Daniels was 74 years of gineer of the northbound Atlantic postwas spending power of this

see the headlights of the south-were possible for everyone in the bound train from as far away as country to donate their year's infour miles. The glare from the come, we would about break even

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# **ECONOMIC HIGH** POINTS OF 1943

# A Few Basic **Factors**

On Icy Tracks at Buies in 24.—In my Annual Forcast of the

very definite pre-dictions regarding business, po-litics and the War. Now,

which, despite political bickerings remains true. For many families of all nations the casualty lists not known. Railroad officials said at least five to seven bodies are probably entangled in the mass of debris, which was being hastily cleared away tonight.

Further deaths are expected among the injured in the hospitals, as many suffered seriously from exposure in the 10-degree weather and snow.

There were no North Carolinians listed in the early lists of dead and injured.

Ploughed Into Wreckage

The wreck occurred shortly after 1 a m. Three cars of the feet of the content of the dead and injured.

Which, despite political bickerings remains true. For many families of all nations the casualty lists will make their Christmas Season as ad one. Whatever our feelings are against enemy nations, all these bereaved families should be remembered in our Christmas prayers.

Those of us at home, safe and surrounded by conveniences and many luxuries, should appreciate that there is still a War—in fact many wars — going on. Hence, there should be no let-down in our home-front battles. War as such is unknown to the vast majority of us. To most families and individuals, it is a remote state of The wreck occurred shortly after 1 a. m. Three cars of the southbound Tamiami West Coast Champion jumped the track, and compared to read about and to some 40 minutes later the north

Americans will have received The scene of the wreck was in a cut four miles north of Red Springs, near Rennert.

C. C. Sibley, vice-president of with \$114,000,000,000 received in more in income in 1943 than in declared the best of the season by the large number who had dared the extremely bad weather to be present.

The home of Mr. R. W. Wigning, Carrier on Louisburg rural route number 1, located in Pruitt town about a mile east of Cassino, but a mile east of Louisburg rural route number 1, located in Pruitt town about a mile east of Louisburg was destroyed by fire Tuesburg.

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Mrs. Daniels was 74 years of age.

Surviving are her husband; Four sons, Capt. Josephus Daniels, Jr., of the Marine Corps. Washington, Lt. Col. Worth Bagley Daniels of the Army Medical Corps, Fort Bragg, Jonathan Worth Daniels of Washington, and Frank A. Daniels of Raleigh; a brother, Admiral David Worth Bagley of the Navy; and nine grandchildren.

gineer of the northbound Atlantic Coast Line streamliner which plowed into a derailed south-bound train near here Thursday free cash is tremendous.

These vast sums of money are responsible for our rising retail trade. This has reached an all-time peak in 1943. Total sales of retail stores for the year will approach \$62,900,000,000 as compared with \$57,784,000,000 in 1942. But remember that although this money has been once grandchildren. Bagley of the Navy; and nine grandchildren.
Students of the Rex Hospital School of Nursing, in uniform, twisted wreckage, which already attended the services in a body. has been removed from the double tracks.

"spent" it has not been destroyed or locked up but will be spent over and over again until the final collapse. Stores and customers have felt the lack of many but night be tracks. attended the services in a body. The nurses' home at Rex Hospital is named for Mrs. Daniels.

The pallbearers were Frank Borden Daniels, Robert E. Williams, Robert McGregor, Lee F. Several days. He took the contains, Robert McGregor, Lee F. Several days. He took the contains trols of the northbound train at Worth, Herbert W. Jackson, C. Horden, George S. Daniels, Hal V. Worth, Herbert W. Jackson, C. H. Herring, Frank M. Harper, and the wreck occurred about an hour later.

The pallbearers were Frank Belknap said he had been ill with flue about tree weeks ago, but plans are now under way to manufacture items which have not been produced for months. These consist mainly of household goods, although the government list to date contains some 700 items.

PRODUCTION AND WAR COSTS

H. Herring, Frank M. Harper, Jr., and William W. White.

Mrs. Daniels had expressed the request that at her funeral her body be borne by Negro friends of her family. These bodybear-ers were Spurgeon Fields, Claude Snelling, Dennis Aldridge, Marvin McOucon, Thomas Cook, Huberi is might remain in the wreck occurred about an hour later.

Was Not Fatigued

"I was not fatigued," he demay have reached its peak this stood at 70—47 service men and of 1943. Since then production has been leveling out along with was a possibility a few more bod-total war costs. If the War should McQueen, Thomas Cook, Hubert ies might remain in the wreck-temporarily go against us, armanger williams, James Smith, and Bernice Sanders.

Williams, James Smith, and Bernice Sanders.

"The three engines powering pear likely. Total industrial output the engine of the derailed train before I saw a man waving at me, quirements, stands at the highest and another of the converte side roles in historia, it is before I saw a man waving at me, quirements, stands at the highest

STATIONED AT MAXTON A.A.B.

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